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PREFACE

TO THE FIRST EDITION.

PUBLISHED IN 1713.

The Churches in the Principality of Neuchatel and Valengin, began some years since to establish the Liturgy, which is now presented to the public. In order that it might appear in a better state, it was deemed advisable that some time should elapse before its publication. The resolution has at length been taken to print it, in conformity with the wish of many, who have desired that it should be made public.

It is not necessary here to enlarge on the utility and antiquity of Liturgies, or to explain how important it is, that the mode of celebrating divine service should be well regulated. None can doubt that St. Paul's maxim, "Let all things be done decently and in order," (*a*) is applicable to the worship of God in the religious assemblies of Christians. This worship is of the greatest consequence in religion, because it consists chiefly in serving God, in adoring him, in giving him thanks, and in calling upon him. Hence it is indispensable, that divine service should be so performed, as to be most worthy of that infinite Being, and best adapted to raise men to him, and to fill them with reverence and love for his Supreme Majesty.

(*a*). 1 Epis. Cor. Ch. xvi., v.; 40.

The attainment, however, of this end is difficult, unless there be an established form of public worship. When the order of divine service is settled, it is celebrated as well by the Minister as by the People, in a manner more edifying, grave and decorous, than when it is entrusted to the discretion of the Clergy. The preservation of uniformity in worship, is another valuable consequence of Liturgies. And if they conform to the spirit of the Gospel, they exert also a salutary influence in excluding from the Church practices and opinions inconsistent with the purity of Religion.

These and some other considerations have satisfied the Pastors of the Churches of Neuchatel and of Valengin, that they should contribute to the edification of *their flocks*, by settling the forms and order of their Liturgy, and by imitating, in this particular, the example of most Protestant Churches, and especially of the Churches of Switzerland, whose Liturgies are all printed.

That which is here given to the public, contains *first*, the form of divine service for Sundays, and for week days, when a sermon is preached; afterwards the prayers for divers occasions, whether before or after the sermon; in the third place, the manner of celebrating divine service, morning and afternoon, when there is no preaching; in the last place, the formularies for the celebration of the sacraments, for the solemnization of matrimony, for the admission of catechumens, and for the reconciliation of penitents. (*a*).

To set forth here all the reflections which might be made on the different parts of this Liturgy, is unnecessary. It has been judged advisable, however, to say something on the objects

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(*a*). When this Liturgy was first published, certain scandalous Sinners, who had been excluded from the Church, were received again into its peace; but this practice hath been abolished for reasons, which it is useless to mention: and the formulary only serves for individuals, at the meeting of the consistory, where it has been preserved.

proposed, and on the method which has been followed in its composition.

This Liturgy has been formed, as far as practicable, from the Scriptures, and from ancient and modern Liturgies. The Scriptures, especially, have been consulted; for as they are the sole rule of our faith, so are they the only perfect guide to the true mode of serving God. This course has been chiefly pursued in the Canticles for the ordinary Morning and Afternoon Service. They have been drawn, almost word for word, from the Sacred Volume, and especial care hath been taken, that they should embrace those excellent passages of the New Testament, which relate to Jesus Christ, and our redemption. This has been thought the more necessary; because hitherto, our Churches have not had, like other Protestant Churches, any Christian Canticles, and we have, therefore, sung only those of the book of Psalms. (*a*). It is, moreover, undeniable, that if the Jews praised God for the favors, which he had granted to their nation, and if they shewed forth his benefits in their songs, Christians are under still higher obligations to bless God, through Jesus Christ, to celebrate the holy name of their Redeemer, to sing his praises, and to speak in their Hymns of all that he hath done for them, of his coming into the world, of his sufferings, of his resurrection, of his ascension, of his last and glorious advent, and of the salvation which he hath purchased for them. (*b*). The Apostles do expressly command Christians to praise God our Father, through Jesus Christ his Son: and their writings abound with praises and thanksgivings, which ought to be without ceasing in the mouths and hearts of the faithful. Authors who wrote in the second century, and on whom we

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(*a*). Since the first edition of this work, several canticles, written by different authors, have become a part of public worship, and are sung on the principal solemnities, instead of the Psalms of David, which are reserved for ordinary occasions.

(*b*). Ep. Eph. i., 3; and v., 19. Coloss. iii., 16. 1 Pet. i., 3. Apoc. i., 6, &c.

may rely, (*a*) inform us that the first Christians in their assemblies sang hymns to Jesus Christ as to a God, and that in the celebration of the Eucharist, God, the Father of all things was praised and glorified, through the Son and Holy Spirit. Much more might be said upon this subject, but the reader is referred to the preface, which is at the head of the Christian Canticles, lately introduced by the Church of Geneva into their worship. In the Canticles of this Liturgy are collected the principal passages of the New Testament, which can be embodied in the worship of Christians; and they have been interspersed among those of the old. These passages being very numerous, several Canticles have been composed, as well for the ordinary service as for particular occasions.

After the Scriptures, the best Liturgies, both ancient and modern, have been consulted. Several formularies, previously adopted in the Churches of this country, have been retained, and in many respects a conformity has been observed to the order already established therein; and from other Liturgies, especially the ancient, whatever appeared the most edifying has been selected. In matters of worship, the practice of the past ages of the Church is entitled to great consideration; and it must be confessed that in the prayers of the Primitive Christians, their spirituality and simplicity are very remarkable. Besides, who can doubt that whatever was done in those days, and had been established by the successors of the Apostles, did conform to the spirit of the Gospel, and ought to command the respect of all Christians. The customs of the Churches did indeed afterwards vary exceedingly. Primitive simplicity was departed from, and Liturgies were burthened with many things, not merely useless, but even contrary to the purity of evangelical

(*a*). Pliny, the younger, in his Letter to the Emperor Trajan, (Epistle 97), Justin Martyr in his first Apology.

worship. This remark is applicable to such as have descended to us. It is, however, certain that the foundation and the essence of the ancient worship have been preserved in almost all Liturgies. If, therefore, whatever is peculiar to each Liturgy, and whatever was added from time to time, as ignorance, error and superstition prevailed in the Church, be laid aside, and only so much be retained, as ancient general usage sanctioned and all Liturgies agree in, we shall undoubtedly have the genuine form of primitive Christian worship. Such a proceeding would be also one of the best methods for the attainment of that uniformity, which is so desirable for the peace and edification of the Church.

We have aimed, in this Liturgy, at the utmost simplicity and perspicuity. So far from seeking, we have avoided the ornaments of language, affected emphasis in terms, preambles, periods over long, reasonings too extended, and figurative expressions, such excepted as being taken from the Scriptures, are clear to the readers of the sacred writings. We have endeavored to express, in the most simple and natural manner, the sentiments and emotions with which we ought to be filled in the presence of God. The language of devotion, is the language of the heart; it is artless and affecting. The reverence due to the Divine Majesty, and the edification of the people, require this simplicity; and the Holy Scriptures teach us thus to pray. The prayers and the praises found in the Sacred Books, especially in the Psalms, are only the emotions of the heart, which for the most part, have little connection. In the Lord's Prayer, that great model of Christian supplication, we also find extreme simplicity, with singular brevity.

This brevity also has been the subject of very particular attention. When Liturgies are too long, and the service is unreasonably extended, public worship is less frequented, and its very length may diminish attention and devotion. We have

anxiously endeavored to avoid this, especially in the service for the week days. It is certain that religious exercises ought not to last long on such days; because they are days of business. Hence the ordinary service for these days have been so regulated, as not to extend beyond twenty minutes, and at the utmost, though rarely, not beyond half an hour.

We have also judged it right to vary the formularies of prayer and praise: and to compose some for particular occasions. This diversity serves to awaken attention, which is more easily relaxed, when the same things are continually heard. It is, moreover, peculiarly proper to direct and animate the devotion of the people, on the most solemn occasions: nothing being more reasonable, than that our prayers should be adapted to the seasons and circumstances, in which we are actually placed.

In the last place, this Liturgy is not so fixed, nor are we so restricted in it, that some changes may not be made either by retrenching or adding, as circumstances may require: as when we are called to return thanks to God for some particular benefit, or to avert his wrath in seasons of calamity.

After these general reflections, it is deemed expedient to add some respecting the third part of this Liturgy, which comprises the ordinary service for the morning and afternoon.

It has been our object to embrace in this service all the acts of divine worship. These are to confess our sins, to adore God, to praise him, to render him thanks, to consecrate ourselves to him, to call upon him, and to read his word. All these acts, to wit: confession, adoration, praise, self-dedication, and invocation, have not been comprehended in a single prayer; but are set forth separately and distinctly, that all, even the most simple, may understand what they are doing, whilst engaged in public worship: that they may comprehend in what this worship consists, and that they may be able to distinguish its several

parts. For the same reason there is an interval between each prayer, and the word Amen closes each. These intervals serve to direct and fix the devotion of the people. Each person may during those moments, recollect himself, and lift up his heart to God either to thank him for some favor, or to ask some particular grace. They serve also to recall the absent, and to awaken attention, which would easily wander during a long prayer, in which all the acts of religious worship should be expressed in uninterrupted succession. But they would be more profitable if the people would answer Amen, at the end of each part of the service, a practice observed in the days of the Apostles; and of which we have incontestable proofs in the fourteenth chapter of First Epistle to the Corinthians, wherein St. Paul speaking of praying in an unknown tongue, says, "when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen, at thy giving of thanks?" This custom of replying Amen is very ancient. God had commanded the people of Israel to answer Amen, to the maledictions which were to be pronounced at the top of Mount Ebal. (*a*). It appears from the 16th Ch. of Chron. B. 1st, (*b*) and from the end of the 106th Psalm, that the people replied Amen, in the intervals of prayer and praise; for we there read these words, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting, and let all the people say Amen." The same thing is seen in the eighth chapter of Nehemiah, 6. "And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered Amen, Amen, lifting up their hands." This was wisely ordered: this Amen signified that all the congregation assented to what was said in the Prayers and Canticles. In truth the people ought not to attend on divine service, merely as auditors and spectators, nor ought they merely to follow in thought, that which is uttered by the ministers of the Church; but they also

(*a*). Deut. Ch. xxvii.; 11. (*b*). Chron. Ch. xvi.; 36.—Ps. Ch. cvi.; 48.

ought to speak on their part, and at least to answer Amen, to all that is spoken in the name of the assembly. It is admitted that the ancient mode of celebrating service, was by parts or intervals: and by antiphones, that is to say, responses. We find this by the words of the 147th Psalm: "Sing to the Lord, answering one to the other." In this manner were recited several Psalms of praise, as the 118, 134 and the 136th. The primitive Christians retained this practice in their worship, and especially in that excellent and admirable Liturgy, which they employed for the communion service. The Ministers (*a*) and the Deacons said to the People, "Lift up your hearts on high," the People answered, "Our hearts are lifted up unto the Lord." The Ministers added, "Let us return thanks to the Lord our God," the People replied, "It is just and reasonable that we should return him thanks." And all the communicants answered Amen (*b*) to the prayers and thanksgivings of the Ministers. Moreover, the above expressions which are in the ancient Liturgies of the Holy Supper, and of which they form a chief part, are so beautiful and edifying and correspond so well to that sacred ceremony, that we have believed it right to adopt them into the Liturgy prepared for the Churches of this country. The other parts of this Liturgy have been taken from those, which are used in different Protestant Churches.

But one of the principal objects contemplated in the form of worship, for the ordinary Morning and Evening Service, was to re-establish the reading of the Scriptures, as a part of public worship. To set forth all the forcible and urgent reasons, which show that we are under an absolute necessity to have the Bible read in the assemblies of the Church, would be superfluous. This has always formed an essential part of divine service, (*c*) both among Jews and Christians. The Jews read

(*a*). St. Cyril, of Jerusalem, in his fifth Mystological Catechism. (*b*). Justice Martyr in his first Apology. (*c*). Deut. Ch. xxxi.; 9, 10, 11.—Nehem. Ch. viii.; 9.

the sacred books, at their solemn feasts, and in their synagogues. They had even divided the books of Moses into as many sections as there are Saturdays in the year, in order that these books might be read entirely through, once in every year, on the Sabbath days. (*a*). When the reading was finished, a doctor, or some other person designated, delivered a discourse on what had been read. We see in the eighth chapter of Nehemiah, that this was practised after the return from the captivity. The Levites, says the sacred author, read in the Book of the Law of God distinctly, and gave the sense and caused them to understand the reading. St. Luke relates, (*b*) that our Lord having entered the Synagogue of Nazareth, on the Sabbath day, read the 61st chapter of Isaiah, and then spoke to the persons present, showing that the words which he had just read were fulfilled in his own person.

We again read in the 13th chapter of the Book of Acts, (*c*) that St. Paul and St. Barnabas went into the Synagogue of Antioch on the Sabbath day, and after the reading of the Law and the Prophets, the Rulers of the Synagogue sent to them, saying: "Men and Brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on." The Christian Church conformed to this practice, and regulated its discipline and worship in this as in various other particulars, by the usages in the assemblies of the Jews. The first Christians read the Scriptures in their assemblies; and so regularly was this done, that in those times one would have thought divine service had not been performed, if the Scriptures had not been read. When the chapter was finished, the head of the assembly gave a brief explanation of it, and exhorted those present, according to the circumstances and wants of the Church. A very ancient author, and one worthy of credit, (*d*) who wrote in the second century, thus

(*a*). See the Acts of the Apostles: Chap. xv.; 27 (*b*). St. Luke: Chap. iv
(*c*). Acts: Chap. xiii.; 14, 15. (*d*). The martyr, Justin, in his First Defence.

relates the usage in his time in Christian Assemblies. On the Lord's day, we assembled together, the writings of the Apostles and Prophets were read as long as the time would permit. When the reading was finished, he who presided delivered a discourse to instruct the people, and exhort them to the observance of the excellent things which they had heard. This being done, we all rose up and presented our prayers to God. Tertullian who lived a little after the Martyr (*a*) Justin, says, that the first Christians assembled to read the sacred books and to exhort the people. However, these exhortations were not always made, and even at that time all the ministers of the Church did not preach; but they never failed to read some portion of the Scriptures, and when the reading and the exhortation were over, they resumed the worship, and concluded the service with prayer.

Such was formerly the mode of worship, and such the origin of sermons. The sermons were at first only an interruption of worship and an addition to the reading, and were not regarded, as by many at the present day, the most important part of public service, and the principal object for which the people assembled. The preaching is, without doubt, very useful, provided it be done with clearness and simplicity; but it is quite necessary that the Scriptures should be read in the Church, and in such a manner, that the people may understand that this reading is an essential part of worship.

Nor does it suffice that they be read in the Churches before the assembly is formed, or the worship commences. Such reading does not constitute a part of divine service. It is distinguished from it by the time, by the persons who read, and by other circumstances, so that the people pay little attention and respect to it, and the greater part of them are not present, which circumstance proves that they regard the reading of the

(*a*). In his Apology; 24, 39.

Holy Scriptures as less important than the preaching. It is for these reasons that the leaders of the Churches thought themselves indispensably obliged to re-establish the reading of the word of God in their worship. And as circumstances for a long time had not permitted them to introduce this reading in all the services, and particularly in that of Sunday, they have done it at least in the ordinary morning and evening services. This reading is performed in the following manner:

The Old and New Testaments are read alternately; and the lessons have been so arranged, that the historical books of the Old Testament from Genesis to Esther are read in the same time with all the books of the New Testament. After which the New Testament is recommenced with the Book of Job, and finished with Malachi.

Thus we read the New Testament twice whilst we read the Old but once. Some chapters and passages are omitted, as the first book of Chronicles, the first chapter of Numbers, and some others. We do not read consecutively, the books of Kings and those of Chronicles, because they contain the same histories, but those chapters are selected in which the history is related with the greatest clearness; and for this purpose a kind of harmony has been prepared. When the chapters are very long or when they contain a great deal of matter, they are divided so as not to overcharge the memories of the hearers, nor extend the service to an inconvenient length. During the festivals, and also at seasons for celebrating the Holy Supper, and in some other circumstances, the portions of Scripture most appropriate to the occasion are read, forming two lessons, formerly called the Epistle and Gospel; and in this they conformed as nearly as possible to the ancient usage of the Church, which long since made a wise and judicious selection of the passages of Scripture, proper to be read at the principal solemnities of Christians. At the end of this preface, will be found the

tables of lessons for special occasions. In order that the lessons might have more effect, the chapter is preceded by an argument or summary of its contents, of its parts and its object, with the mode of clearing up the general difficulties, if there be any. After the chapter some reflections are added in the form of exhortations, in order that the people may depart the more deeply impressed with the things which they have heard. These reflections extend ordinarily to five or six sentences only. These arguments and reflections have been prepared, and are read. It has been found expedient to pursue this course, because if left to the discretion of the ministers, many might lose sight of the brevity, simplicity and precision which are requisite in reflections of this kind. Finally, there being in this Liturgy some passages of which persons unacquainted with the customs of our Church will not understand the reason, it is proper to say something in explanation of them, especially as many persons abroad have requested information on the subject. The following, then, are the observances in our Churches, particularly in the town of Neufchatel, where the public exercises of religion are more frequent than in the country :

There is a sermon every Sunday morning, and at mid-day the catechism ; at Neufchatel there is a sermon again in the evening. In the week they preach on Wednesday and Friday morning. On the other days they perform in the forenoon the ordinary morning service, and every day at three o'clock the afternoon service. These services are performed by the ministers of the Church. The people are seated during the reading of the Holy Scriptures, and during the rest of the service they stand up. On Saturday morning, after the close of the service, the pastors, each in his turn, catechise the children of the age of ten years and upwards until they have communed. They celebrate the Holy Supper of the Lord at four periods in the year, and at each of these three times, in order that they who may not have been

able to partake of the Holy Sacrament at the first celebration, may partake on the following day; and that persons desiring to commune more than once, should have the opportunity to do so. The Holy Supper is celebrated first at Easter, to wit: On Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter day. Secondly: At Pentecost, on Pentecost Sunday, the following Friday, and Trinity Sunday. Thirdly: About the beginning of the month of September, to wit, on the last Sunday of August, the Friday following, and the first Sunday of September. Fourthly: At Christmas, to wit, on the two last Sundays of the year, and on Christmas day, and if Christmas fall on Sunday, on the preceding Friday. The reason is thus seen why our Liturgy contains prayers for two communion Sundays at each of these four festivals: why there are prayers to be introduced into the service during two weeks at these seasons, and why in the table of proper lessons, lessons are appointed for the first and second week. The first week is that which precedes the first Sunday for the Communion at the Holy Supper, and the second is that which follows it. During these two weeks, general catechetical instruction is given on every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday after twelve o'clock, and on these catechisms the catechumens who present themselves to be received for the confirmation of the baptismal vow, and for the participation of the Eucharist are publicly examined. On the Saturday evening before the celebration of the Lord's Supper, there is a sermon of preparation with prayers. The same course is observed on the eve of public fast days.

Such are the principal matters which it seemed proper to notice in explanation of this Liturgy. God grant that it may contribute to the advancement of his glory, and of true piety; and that all who use it, may apply it to its true purpose, the worship of God, in spirit and in truth. Amen.

TABLE OF LESSONS

FOR DIFFERENT OCCASIONS.

For The Nativity.

FIRST WEEK — FIRST LESSON.

Monday Morning,	Isaiah xl.; 1–11.
Monday Evening,	Isaiah xl.; 1–10 and 12.
Tuesday Evening,	Isaiah xlix.; 1–23.
Wednesday Evening,	Malachi iii.
Thursday Morning,	Malachi iv.
Thursday Evening,	Isaiah xlii.; 1–12.
Friday Evening,	Isaiah lii.
Saturday Morning,	Hebrews ii.

SECOND LESSON.

St. Luke i.; 1–25.	St. Matthew iii.
St. Luke i.; 26–56.	St. Luke iii.; 1–18.
St. Luke i.; 57–80.	St. John i.; 1–18.
St. Matthew xi.	St. John i.; 19–51.

SECOND WEEK.

The Eve of the Nativity,	Isaiah lxii.
The Day of the Nativity,	Hebrews i.
The Day After the Nativity,	Isaiah ix.; 1–6.
St. Matthew i.	St. Luke ii.; 1–20.
St. Luke ii.; 11–39.	

On the other days the following Lessons are read, and they are arranged according to the day upon which the Nativity falls. The

prophecies of the Old Testament are read, which point out the principal circumstances of the advent of Jesus Christ:

Genesis iii.; 15—and xlix.; 10.
Micah v.; 2.
Isaiah vii.; 14—and ix.; 5.
Daniel ix.; 24–27.
Haggai ii.; 9.
Malachi iv.; 1, 5, 6.

They are all read at one time; and they add:

1st Epistle St. Peter i.; 10–13.
Acts xiii.; 16–41.
1st Epistle St. John i.
Epistle to Titus ii.; 11–15—and iii.; 3–7.
St. Matthews ii.
St. Luke ii.; 40–52.
1 Corinthians xi.; 20–32.

On the Evening of the Last Day of the Year.

Psalm xxxix.; 9–14.
St. Matthew xxiv.; 42–51.

On New Year's Evening.

1st Thessalonians v.; 1–11.
St. Matthew xxv.; 1–30.

At The Passover.

FIRST WEEK — FIRST LESSON.

Monday Morning, Exodus xii.; 1–28.
Monday Evening, Exodus xii.; 29–51.
Tuesday Evening, Exodus xiii.; 1–16.
Wednesday Evening, Isaiah liii.
Thursday Morning, Isaiah liv.
Thursday Evening, Isaiah lv.
Friday Evening, Genesis xxii.; 1–19.
Saturday Morning, 1 Peter iii.; 18–22.

SECOND LESSON.

St. John xi.; 47–57—and xii.; 1–11.
St. John xii.; 12–50.
St. John xiii.
St. John xiv.—and iv.; 1–8.
St. John xv.
St. John xvi.
St. John xvii.
St. Matthew xxi.; 1–17.

The Holy Week.

Monday Morning, Philippians ii.; 5–13.
Monday Evening, Isaiah l.; 5–10.
Tuesday Evening, Isaiah lxii.; 11, 12—and lxiii.; 1–9.
Wednesday Evening, Daniel ix.; 20–27.

Thursday Morning,	Hebrews ix.
Thursday Evening,	1 Corinthians xi.; 20–32.
Good Friday,	Hebrews x.; 1–25.
Saturday Morning,	Romans vi.; 1–14.

During this week the Second Lesson is taken from the History of the Passion, from the four Evangelists, put in harmony. This history is divided into eight readings, so that the particulars of the crucifixion, and the death of our Lord, are read on Good Friday, and the history of his burial on Saturday.

For Easter.

Monday Morning,	Colossians iii.; 1–17.
Monday Evening,	1 Corinthians xv.; 1–34.
Tuesday Evening,	1 Corinthians xv.; 35–58.

They read in three lessons the History of the Resurrection, taken from the four Evangelists, and put in harmony.

At The Ascension.

The Eve of the Ascension,	2 Kings ii.; 1–14.
St. John xiv.; 1–19.	
Ascension Day,	Ephesians iv.; 7–16.

The History of the Ascension, from the Evangelists and from the Acts.

The Day After the Ascension,	Hebrews x.; 11–31.
St. John xvi.; 16–33.	

At Pentecost.

FIRST WEEK.

Wednesday Evening,	Ezekiel xxxvi.; 22–28.
St. John iii.; 1–21.	

FIRST LESSON.

Thursday Morning,	Hebrews viii.
Thursday Evening.	Isaiah lxi.
Friday Evening,	Isaiah lv.
Saturday Morning,	Joel ii.; 28–32.

SECOND LESSON.

St. John v.; 19–36	St. John vii.; 37–43.
St. Luke i.; 16–30	St. John xiv.; 1–17.

SECOND WEEK.

Monday Morning,	Acts ii.
Monday Evening,	Acts x.
Tuesday Evening,	Acts xi.; 1–18.
Wednesday Evening,	1 Corinthians xii.
Thursday Morning,	1 Corinthians xiii.
Thursday Evening,	1 Corinthians xi.; 20–32.
Friday Evening,	Romans viii.
Saturday Morning,	Galatians v.; 16–26.
St. John xiv.; 18–31.	St. John xvii.
St. John xv.	St. John xviii.
St. John xvi.; 1–15.	St. John xix.
St. John xvi.; 16–33.	St. Matthew xii.; 22–45.

On the First Monday after Trinity Sunday.

Morning,	Hebrews ii.
Evening,	Ephesians iv.; 1–16.
St. Matthew xxv.; 14–30.	St. Matthew xiii.; 24–52.

For the Holy Days of September.

FIRST WEEK.

Friday Evening,	Isaiah lv.
Saturday Morning,	Proverbs ix.; 1–11.
St. John vi.; 26–40.	St. John vi.; 41–63.

SECOND WEEK.

Monday Morning,	Romans v.
Monday Evening,	Colossians i.
Tuesday Evening,	1 Epis. St. Peter i.
Wednesday Evening,	1 Epis. St. Peter ii.
Thursday Morning,	1 Corinthians v.; 1–22.
Thursday Evening,	1 Corinthians xi.; 20–32.
Friday Evening,	1 Epis. St. John iii.
Saturday Morning,	Galatians v.; 13–26.
St. Matthew v.; 1–20.	St. Luke xiv.; 15–24.
St. Matthew v.; 21–48.	St. Matthew xxv.; 1–13.
St. Matthew vi.	St. John xix.
St. Matthew vii.	St. Matthew xxii.; 1–14.

In the Week of Public Fasting.

Public Fasts are generally celebrated on Thursday.

Monday Morning,	Isaiah i.
Monday Evening,	Jeremiah vii.
Tuesday Evening,	Zachariah vii.
St. Matthew iii.; 1–12.	
St. Matthew xxi.; 28–44.	St. Luke xv.
Wed. Morning, before the fast,	Isaiah lviii.
Fri. Eve., the day after the fast,	Heb. iii.; –719—and iv.; 1–11.
St. Matthew vi.; 1–18.	St. Luke xiii.; 1–9.

GENERAL DIRECTIONS.

ANY of the services of this Book may begin with a Canticle, Psalm or Hymn; during which the Minister and people stand.

In any other part of the services, they stand during a Canticle, and sit during a Psalm or Hymn.

The Canticles may be read or chanted.

Part of a Canticle, Psalm or Hymn, may be used instead of the whole.

At the end of the several Prayers the people answer, *Amen.*

In the Morning Service, the *first* lesson shall consist of the Ten Commandments, from Exodus, Chap. xx.; 1–17,—with the Summary of the Law from Matthew, Chap. xxii.; 37–40. (*See them at the end of the Morning Service for the Lord's Day.*) The *second* lesson shall be taken from any part of the Old Testament from Genesis to Esther inclusive, being the Historical Books; or from the Prophets of the Old Testament; and the *third* lesson from the Gospels or Acts of the Apostles—being the Historical Books of the New Testament.

In the Afternoon Service, the *first* lesson shall be taken out of the Preceptive Books of the Old Testament from Job to Ecclesiastes, and the *second* out of the Epistles or the Apocalypse in the New Testament.

On Holy Days, the lessons may be those in the Table.

During the reading of the Ten Commandments, and the Summary of the Law, the Minister and people stand. During the reading of other Lessons of Scripture, the Minister stands and the people sit.

On Holy Days, and other special occasions of Public Worship, occurring on week days, the services for the Lord's Day may be used instead of any of the other services, in the discretion of the Minister.

PART I.

MORNING SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

Introductory Prayer.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God and Heavenly Father! we have come together for the public sanctification of this Lord's day, to offer unto thee our praises and our prayers, and to hear thy holy word. Thou hast promised to hearken favorably unto all those, who call upon thee, in the name of thy Son. We therefore beseech thee, to look down upon us in mercy, and to purify our thoughts and affections, that we may render unto thee an acceptable service.

Great God! we humble ourselves before thee. We adore thy majesty: we extol thy wisdom, thy power and thy goodness, which appear with such brightness in the marvellous works of Creation and Redemption. We acknowledge thy tender love in the manifold favors, spiritual and temporal, which we continually receive at thy hand, but we praise thee more especially, with all Christians, who are assembled this day, that thou didst send thy son into the world to save us, and that he rose from the dead for our justification. We bless thee, that thou hast given us, by his glorious Resurrection, so lively a hope of everlasting life. O God! thy glory is great in all thy Churches, and the praise of thy name is heard in all the assemblies of thy Saints! May our thanksgivings ascend unto thy Throne!

Make us worthy to be partakers of the resurrection of the Just, and of the glory of the Kingdom of Heaven, whither Jesus Christ hath entered as our forerunner; where he liveth and reigneth; where he is adored and glorified, with thee and the Holy Spirit, God blessed forever. *Amen.*

O GOD! who has given thy Holy Scriptures for our instruction, we beseech thee to enlighten our minds and purify our hearts, that we may worthily read, hear, and meditate upon them, and may understand and receive, as we ought, the things which are therein revealed. Enable thy ministers to declare thy word with purity and clearness, with simplicity and zeal. Render their preaching effectual through the influence of the Holy Spirit; so that the good seed may be received into our hearts, as into ground well prepared, and bring forth fruit in abundance. Grant that during the time of our sojourning here, we may be not only hearers, but doers of thy word, conformably to its divine instructions,* so that we may attain unto eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Lesson.

The Confession.

Let us humbly confess our sins.

O LORD God! Eternal and Almighty Father! we confess before thy Divine Majesty, that we are miserable sinners, born in corruption and iniquity, prone to evil, and of ourselves incapable of any good. We acknowledge that we transgress in

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AND since, O God! we commemorate at this time (to-day) (the Nativity) (the Sufferings and Death) (the Resurrection) of thy Son — (the Descent of the Holy Spirit;) we pray thee to lift up our hearts unto thee, to enable us with faith and with joy, to meditate on the manifestation of thy love, and so to live in thy fear and to thy glory, during the time of our sojourning here, that we may attain unto eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

various ways thy holy commandments, so that we draw down on ourselves, through thy righteous judgment, condemnation and death. We are, moreover, O Lord! under heartfelt sorrow for having offended thee; and sincerely repenting of our sins, we fervently implore thy grace to relieve our wretchedness. Vouchsafe then, O most gracious God and merciful Father! to have compassion on us, in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Pardon our sins, give us the graces of the Holy Spirit, and increase them day by day; to the end, that heartily acknowledging our unworthiness, we may be filled with sincere repentance, and bring forth fruits of righteousness acceptable to thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Second Lesson.—A Canticle, Psalm or Hymn—or part of either.—Third Lesson.

Let us pray.

O LORD! let thy mercy shine upon us: and grant us thy salvation.

O God! make clean our hearts within us: and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

A Prayer for Faith.

O LORD God! we render thanks unto thee, that thou hast called us to the knowledge and profession of the Christian Faith. We beseech thee to preserve and increase it in us, to the end, that continuing steadfast in the same, we may sincerely unite in the confession of the Church Universal —

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate: He was crucified: He died:

He was buried: He went into the place of departed Spirits: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven: He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: and thence, he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe the Holy Church Universal: the Communion of Saints: the remission of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

General Thanksgiving.

O ALMIGHTY God! Father of mercy! we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks, for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us a due sense of all thy mercies, that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee, in holiness and righteousness, all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Here introduce such of the Special, or Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings from Part III. as are suitable, may be requested, or the Minister's discretion may suggest.

General Prayer.

O LORD, our God! Creator and Father of the human race! who hast commanded, that prayer and supplication be made for all mankind, we offer unto thee our intercessions, for the peace of the world, and for the happiness and salvation of all men. Deliver, we beseech thee, O Lord! from spiritual blindness, all the nations that still sit in darkness. Thou didst so love the world, that thou gavest thine only Son, to die as a propitiation, not only for our sins, but also for the sins of the whole world. Thou hast taught us, that there is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we may be

saved; and that he came to be a light unto the Gentiles, and to bring salvation unto the ends of the earth. Grant, O Almighty God and Merciful Father! that all our fellow men may be gathered unto the name of our Lord; to the end, that all nations may know and adore thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

O Lord! who art the source of all lawful power, and the fountain of all true wisdom in the counsels of men; we pray to thee for all, who are in authority throughout the world. Thou hast taught us in thy holy word, that thou dost govern the nations upon earth; and that rulers should serve and obey thee. Vouchsafe, then, O most Mighty God! a knowledge of thyself, to such as know thee not; and give thy grace unto all, that ruling in thy fear, they may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thee.

We beseech thee to behold with thy favor, those who in the order of thy Providence, are entrusted with authority, throughout our land. Endue them with thy grace, that in the administration of justice, the preservation of order, the improvement of our laws, and the execution of judgment, their good works may glorify thee.

We offer unto thee, O Lord! our prayers for the necessities of the Holy Church Universal. Protect, enlarge and sanctify it, more and more. Deliver all Churches which suffer persecution. We beseech thee, to take away the errors and dissensions, which disturb the Christian world; and to unite all thy people, in the bonds of truth, of godliness, and of peace. Grant thy blessings to the Churches of these States, and to the families and persons who compose them, that piety, concord, and every Christian virtue may flourish therein.

We pray to thee, O Lord! for all the Pastors of thy Church. May they preach thy word with fidelity, firmness, and humanity. May they labor not in vain to establish the indispensable obligation of the duties enjoined by our holy religion: and to make manifest their beauty and excellence. Enable them to set forth the motives, which bind us to obey thee; the helps which are offered; and the rewards which await us. May they, as well by their preaching as by their example, prepare for thee a

peculiar people, zealous of good works. Defend them, O Lord, under the shadow of thy wings; and may they escape the temptations of the world, and the devices of their spiritual enemies. Grant that they shun not to declare all the counsel of God: and that having testified the Gospel of thy grace, they may finish their course with joy, and the ministry, which they have received of the Lord Jesus.*

O God of mercy! have pity on those, who are suffering by war, pestilence, or any other scourge; and on all who are in affliction. We commend to thy care, the widow and the orphan, the poor and the stranger, all who are in peril by land or by water, all who endure persecution for the Gospel, all who are distressed in mind, the infirm, the sick, and the dying. Comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, and give them a happy issue out of all their trials and afflictions.

O Lord! we pray for all thy children; for all who seek thee in sincerity of heart, and who labor for the salvation of themselves, or of their fellow men; for those who are engaged in works of love, and in holy designs for the advancement of thy kingdom. Strengthen all who are weak in faith, and in piety; and to those who are under condemnation, vouchsafe the grace of repentance and sincere conversion.

Favorably regard, O Lord! our country and its inhabitants. Grant, at all times, whatever may be necessarv for our subsistence, and give us grace not to abuse thy blessings, but to use them with soberness, charity, and thankfulness. Save us from all the dangers and calamities to which we may be exposed. Deliver us from our sins, preserve us from every evil thought, from impiety, and hypocrisy, and from all that is contrary to thy holy will. Direct us always by thy grace, O merciful God! and further us continually by thy spirit. Give unto us at all times, good and holy thoughts, pure, meek, and peaceable dispositions, entire resignation to thy providence, fervent love to thee, and sincere charity, inclining us to edify and do good to one another. Wean our affections from this world of vanity; and through thy grace, may our hearts be always lifted up towards heaven.

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There may our treasure be; to the end, that watching and praying without ceasing, and leading humble, righteous and sober lives, we may pass our days in peace; looking for the glorious advent of our Saviour: at whose coming to judge the world, grant that we, who are here assembled in thy presence may appear before thee, without confusion and without fear.

Favorably hear us, O God! Graciously hear all who have at this time offered up their prayers unto thee. Reject not the supplications of thy servants; but grant us the blessings which we have asked of thee, and all others which are necessary for us. We pray for all these things, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Hymn—the Sermon—a Doxology—a concluding Prayer from Part III.—a Benediction.

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied unto you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Ten Commandments.

LISTEN with reverence and attention to the Ten Commandments of the Law of God, as they are written in the twentieth chapter of the Book of Exodus.

God spake these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; for I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work; thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for, in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V. Honor thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt not kill.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife; nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass; nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

Summary of the Law.

Hear also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith, in the twenty-second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind: This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

AFTERNOON SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

Introductory Prayer.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God! we return thee our humble and hearty thanks, for the privilege we enjoy of assembling in thy house, this day, to render the services due unto thee, and to hear thy word. And since thou hast given us thy Holy Scriptures, as a lamp to our feet, and a light to our paths, we beseech thee for the love of Jesus Christ, the light of the world, that thou wouldst illumine our minds, and endue us with the Holy Spirit, to sanctify, and lead us into the knowledge of truth. Give us grace to hear attentively thy word, rightly to understand its meaning, and to conform our lives to its precepts; that whatever we shall hear, may tend to the glory of thy name, to our advancement in piety, and to the comfort and salvation of our souls;* through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

First Lesson.

The Confession.

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OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate: He was crucified: He died: He was buried: He went into the place of departed Spirits: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven: He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: and thence, he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe the Holy Church Universal: The communion of Saints: The remission of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

General Thanksgiving.

O ALMIGHTY God! Father of mercy! we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks, for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us a due sense of all thy mercies, that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee, in holiness and righteousness, all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

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General Prayer.

ALMIGHTY God, our Heavenly Father! it is of thy great goodness, that we enjoy the precious advantages, of which so many are destitute. We have offended thee by our ingratitude, by our abuse of the privilege which thou hast vouchsafed to us, of knowing and serving thee; and thou mightest justly have removed the light of thy word from among us. O God!

we adore thee for thy mercies; and we beseech thee, in the name of Jesus Christ, not to withdraw thy grace, but to sanctify us more and more, that we may serve thee, with renewed zeal, all the days of our lives.

We offer unto thee our prayers for the welfare of our country. We pray to thee, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords! for all who are in authority throughout the world. Vouchsafe a knowledge of thyself to such as know thee not, and grant that they who already know thee, may continue to serve and honor thee.

We pray for the President of the United States, and for all in authority over us. Grant unto them the spirit of wisdom and firmness; and above all, piety and the fear of thy name; that they may preserve order, and that we, thy people, may lead peaceable and happy lives, in all godliness and honesty.

We beseech thee, O God! favorably to hear our prayers for the salvation of the whole world. Receive our supplications for the peace and the necessities of thy Church. We pray to thee, Lord! for all the Ministers of thy Word. Sanctify them, and increase in them the knowledge and gifts which are needful for the advancement of thy kingdom, and the salvation of the souls committed to them. Raise up everywhere, faithful, zealous, and humble ministers, lovers of truth and of peace; and to this end give thy grace and thy fear to all who are preparing to serve thee in the Holy Ministry.* We pray to thee also, for the conversion of sinners; for the perseverance of the righteous; for the deliverance of those who suffer persecution in the cause of truth or piety; and for the relief of all who are distressed in mind, body, or estate.

Accept, O most merciful Father! the worship we offer unto thee. Hearken favorably to all, wheresoever they may be, who call upon thee, with all their heart. We beseech thee to preserve us from danger and temptation. Grant unto us all these favors, and whatever else thou seest to be necessary and expedient for us. O God! bless the instructions of thy Holy Scriptures, which we have heard this day, and all the services

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of thy Sanctuary, that our hearts may be inclined to love and to fear thee; that we may serve thee faithfully whilst we live; and that having profited by the means and opportunities afforded for our salvation during this life, we may be received into the Temple of thy Glory; to praise thee forever, in the assembly of the Saints, through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we offer up our prayers. *Amen.*

A Hymn—the Sermon—a Doxology—a Concluding Prayer from Part III.—a Benediction.

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied unto you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

PART II.

MORNING SERVICE FOR WEEK DAYS WITH A SERMON.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

Introductory Prayer.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God! we are here assembled to offer unto thee our praises, our thanksgivings, and our prayers: to humble ourselves before thee, and to hear thy holy word. It is meet and proper that we should adore thee, O Lord our God! Creator of Heaven and Earth, and all things therein, and that we should ever give thanks unto thee for the favors, we are continually receiving at thy bountiful hand. We bless thee that thou hast preserved us to the present time; that having protected us during the past night, thou hast brought us in safety to the beginning of this day, and that we are enabled to assemble in this holy place, and in thy presence.

O Lord! we praise thee, we desire to serve thee at this time, and throughout our lives. We dedicate ourselves unto thee. We submit ourselves entirely to thy holy will. May it please thee to defend and direct us during this day, that we may pass the same in peace and cheerfulness, in thy fear, and to thy glory. And since thou hast given us the Holy Scriptures as a lamp to our feet, and a light to our paths; we beseech thee, O Lord! for the love of Jesus Christ, the light of the world, that thou wouldst illumine our minds, and endue us with thy Holy Spirit,

to sanctify and lead us into the knowledge of truth. Give us grace to hear attentively thy word, rightly to understand its meaning, and to conform our lives to its precepts, so that whatever we shall hear may tend to the glory of thy name, to our advancement in piety, and to the comfort and salvation of our souls,* through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Faith.

O LORD God! we render thanks unto thee, that thou hast called us to the knowledge and profession of the Christian Faith. We beseech thee to preserve and increase it in us, to the end, that continuing steadfast in the same, we may sincerely unite in the confession of the Church Universal —

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate: He was crucified: He died: He was buried: He went into the place of departed Spirits: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven: He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: and thence, he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe the Holy Church Universal: the Communion of Saints: the remission of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Lesson from the Old Testament.

The Confession.

Let us humbly confess our sins.

O LORD! Our God and our Father! we are not worthy to appear in thy presence, or to ask of thee any favor. We have not obeyed thy Commandments, but have transgressed them in various ways. O Lord! we deplore the magnitude and number of our sins. Pardon us, O most gracious Father!

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* During seasons of Humiliation substitute the Special Prayer from Part III.

pardon for the love of Jesus Christ, those who are penitent and ask thy forgiveness. Sanctify us, and make us new creatures, to the end, that the glory of thy mercy may ever be manifested in us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Lesson from the New Testament.

Here introduce such of the Special, or Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings from Part III. as are suitable, may be requested, or the Minister's discretion may suggest.

General Prayer.

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL and Almighty God! we offer to thy Divine Majesty, our prayers for ourselves and for all mankind.

We beseech thee to illumine all the people of the earth, by the light of the Gospel, that they may come to the knowledge of the truth, and be saved. We pray to thee for all the wants of the Church Universal. Look down with mercy upon all thy people and all thy flocks. Preserve them, and cherish in them the light of thy word. Put away from them dissensions and hypocrisy; and grant that piety, charity, and every Christian virtue may reign among them.

Bless the Ministers of thy Church. Enable them at all times to preach thy word in faithfulness and purity, and to labor with humility and zeal, for the edification of their flocks.

We pray to thee for all rulers, and especially those who are in authority over us. Guide them by thy spirit, and assist them in the performance of their duties, so that Religion, Justice and Peace, may flourish under their Government.

O Almighty and most merciful God! we commend to thy favor all who are in affliction. Grant to the sick the patience, the succor, and the repentance, which they need. Convert sinners, and strengthen those who walk in thy ways. O God!

bless the just and upright in heart; protect the weak and the innocent. Relieve the poor; help and comfort all who are in danger, necessity or tribulation.

Bless our Country, (this City) and all its inhabitants. Turn away from us thy judgments, O gracious God! and we will praise thy Holy Name. Vouchsafe, O Lord! to bless us in the duties and business of our several callings. Guide and assist us, that we may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way; that whilst we labor for things temporal, we neglect not things eternal; but that we may first and chiefly seek thy Kingdom and thy righteousness. Suffer not the temptations and cares of this life to seduce our hearts, and to destroy the seed of thy word, which is sown therein. Teach us, O God! rightly to comprehend that this world passeth away, and all its sinful desires; that our life fleeth as a shadow, and that we bring our years to an end, as it were, a tale that is told. May we duly consider the vanity of this life, so that having lived in thy fear, we may die in thy grace, and be partakers in the resurrection of the just.

O Lord, our gracious God! Vouchsafe to us, we beseech thee, all that we need to finish happily the race set before us. Take us under thy protection, provide for all our wants, and guide us even to our last hour, through Jesus Christ, thy Son. *Amen.*

A Hymn—the Sermon—a concluding Prayer from Part III.—a Benediction.

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied unto you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

SERVICES FOR WEEK DAYS WITHOUT A SERMON.

A SERVICE FOR MORNING OR AFTERNOON.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

DEARLY Beloved Brethren! we have assembled to worship God, to praise him, to hear his holy word, and to offer unto him our prayers. The Father of our Lord Jesus Christ pardoneth all such as truly repent and turn unto him. Let us, therefore, confess our sins, and implore his mercy, that the services of this day may be acceptable unto him.

O ALMIGHTY God! Heavenly Father! we have sinned against thee, and are not worthy to be called thy children. We have offended thee in various ways, by thought, word and deed, O Eternal God! But we pray thee to turn away thine anger from us, forgiving us all our sins, and leading us by a sincere repentance to life everlasting, for the love of thy Son, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in Heaven! hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God and Heavenly Father! since we are about to hear thy holy word, we pray thee to give us grace rightly to understand its sense, and to live according to the same, for the love of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

A Lesson from the Old Testament.

LET us adore and praise the Lord our God.

O Lord! open thou our lips: and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.

A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn, with one of the short Doxologies, or instead of the above, the following:

Doxology.

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God! Heavenly King! God the Father Almighty!

O Lord! the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God! Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou, who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou, who sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ! with the Holy Spirit, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Lesson from the New Testament.

Let us pray.

O LORD! have mercy upon us; hear our prayers, and let our supplications come unto thee.

O Lord! let thy mercy shine upon us, and grant us thy salvation.

O Lord! preserve thy Holy Church, and favorably hear, through thy grace, all who call upon thee.

Clothe thy Ministers with righteousness, and cause thy chosen people to rejoice.

O Lord! save thy people, and bless thine heritage. Grant us peace in our day, for thou canst defend us.

O God! make clean our hearts within us, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

For the Morning.

O ETERNAL and Almighty God! we thank thee that thou hast brought us safely to the beginning of this day. Keep us through the same, by thy great power; preserve us from sin, guard us against danger, and so direct us by thy holy

guidance that all our doings may be righteous in thy sight. O Lord! we would present ourselves unto thee a living sacrifice. We desire to consecrate to thee our bodies, our souls, our lives, all that is within us, and all that depends upon us, to employ them to thy Glory. We resign ourselves unto thy will, O God! confiding in thy Providence. We submit ourselves to all the events which it shall please thee to ordain. Do with us whatsoever shall seem good unto thee; and may thy holy will be done in us and by us, for the love of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Afternoon.

O ETERNAL and Almighty God! we implore thy Divine Majesty to receive the sacrifice of praise which we offer and to hear the prayers which we address unto thee at the close of this day. Protect us, we beseech thee, during the night. Preserve us from sin and danger, that we may praise and serve thee at all times. O Lord! we commit our souls to thy care. Conduct us whilst awake; guard us whilst we sleep; so that, by day or by night, we may be always with thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God! who hast commanded us to pray for all mankind, and desirest that all may come to a knowledge of the truth and be saved, favorably hear the supplications which we offer unto thee, for the peace and happiness of all nations, and for the conversion of the people who sit in darkness. We implore thy grace for all Rulers and Magistrates, and especially for the President of the United States, and all others in authority over us. We beseech thee, O God! to preserve and sanctify thy Church throughout the world, and especially the Church in our own country. Strengthen thou the Pastors and Ministers of thy word. Have mercy on all nations and persons in affliction. Deliver all who are under persecution, or in captivity, for the sake of the truth. Relieve, comfort, and assist the sick and the dying. Vouchsafe unto sinners opportunity and means for repentance and amendment. Strengthen all who are weak in faith and in godliness. Give unto those who love and fear thee, grace to persevere and

advance continually in holiness. Bless all who are engaged in works of piety and charity. Grant peace, O Lord! to these United States. Bless the fruits of the Earth. (Bless this City and all its inhabitants.) Bless all who are here present and who call upon thee in sincerity of heart. Favorably hear us, O God! Give us grace to pass our days in thy fear, and to end them in thy peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, blessed forever. *Amen.*

Or the following Prayer:

ALMIGHTY God! suffer not thy Holy Name to be reproached on account of our offences. We have sinned against thee in various ways; we have not obeyed thy word as we ought; but have daily provoked thine anger; so that thou mightest have justly punished us. But, O Lord! remember us in mercy and have compassion on us. Give us grace to be deeply sensible of our sins, to repent of them, and to amend our lives. Bless thy people, O God! Strengthen thy Ministers, that they may preach thy word, and exercise their ministry with faithfulness and zeal. Strengthen, likewise, all Rulers and Magistrates, that their good works may promote the advancement of thy Glory and the good of thy people. Send down thy blessing on the President of the United States, and on all others in authority over us. O Gracious God! turn aside thy Judgments from us and be always our Protector. Confound all designs against thy Church and against thy Gospel. O Lord! deprive us not of thy word, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us: but give us grace to persevere constantly in faith, and in the fear of thy Name. Comfort and strengthen all such as are feeble and afflicted in mind or body. Assist us, O God! in our various necessities, and grant us thy peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.

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If it be desirable to use the above service with a Sermon, the Minister can introduce it here.

Concluding Prayer.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God! who hast graciously promised to hear the supplications of those who ask in thy Son's name, we beseech thee to accept the service and the prayers which we have now offered unto thee. May those things which we have faithfully asked, according to thy will, be effectually obtained, for the relief of our necessities, and to the advancement of thy Glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

ALMIGHTY God! who hast given us grace at this time, with one accord, to make our common supplications unto thee; and hast promised that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfill now, O Lord! the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come, life everlasting. *Amen.*

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied unto you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

A SERVICE FOR THE AFTERNOON.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

DEARLY Beloved Brethren! we have assembled to worship God, to praise him, to hear his holy word, and to offer unto him our prayers. The Father of our Lord Jesus Christ pardoneth all such as truly repent and turn unto him. Let us, therefore, confess our sins, and implore his mercy, that our services at this time may be acceptable unto him.

O ALMIGHTY God! Heavenly Father! we have sinned against thee, and are not worthy to be called thy children. We have offended thee in various ways, by thought, word and deed, O Eternal God! But we pray thee to turn away thine anger from us, forgiving us all our sins, and leading us by a sincere repentance to life everlasting, for the love of thy Son, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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O MERCIFUL God and Heavenly Father! since we are about to hear thy holy word, we pray thee to give us grace rightly to understand its sense, and to live according to the same, for the love of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

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LET us adore and praise the Lord our God.

O Lord! open thou our lips: and our mouths shall show forth thy praise.

A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn, with one of the short Doxologies, or instead of the above, the following:

Doxology.

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O Lord! the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God! Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ! with the Holy Spirit, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

A Lesson from the New Testament.

Then the Minister says:

THESE are the articles of the Christian Faith, which we profess, and in which we should persevere to our lives' end.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary: He suffered under Pontius Pilate: He was crucified: He died: He was buried: He went into the place of departed Spirits: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven: He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: and thence, he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe the Holy Church Universal: the Communion of

Saints: the remission of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O LORD! have mercy upon us; hear our prayers, and let our supplications come unto thee.

O Lord! let thy mercy shine upon us, and grant us thy salvation.

O Lord! preserve thy Holy Church, and favorably hear, through thy grace, all who call upon thee.

Clothe thy Ministers with righteousness, and cause thy chosen people to rejoice.

O Lord! save thy people, and bless thine heritage. Grant us peace in our day, for thou only canst defend us.

O God! make clean our hearts within us, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving.

Let us give thanks unto God for all his benefits.

O ALMIGHTY God! Father of mercy! we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us a due sense of all thy mercies, that we may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee, in holiness and righteousness, all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

O LORD! who art the God of peace and the author of all good, grant unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be inclined to obey thy commandments, and that being delivered from the fear of our

enemies, we may pass our lives in rest and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

O LORD! watch over us, and through thy great mercy, defend our souls and bodies from all danger, during the coming night, for the love of thine only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Here introduce such of the Special, or Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings, from Part III., as are suitable, may be requested, or the Minister's discretion may suggest.

O GOD! who art King of Kings and Lord of Lords, we beseech thee favorably to look upon all Rulers and Magistrates, and to send down thy blessings on the President of these United States, and on all others in authority over us. Give them grace to live to the advancement of thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the welfare of our country, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God! send down upon our Pastors, upon all thy Ministers, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace. Fill thy servants so abundantly with the knowledge of thy truth, and so clothe them with innocence of life, that they may exercise their ministry to the Glory of thy Name, and to the edification of thy Holy Church, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

O God! the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldst be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. We pray to thee especially for the prosperity of the Church Universal, that it may be so governed by thy Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians, may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness, all who are distressed in mind, body or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their

several necessities, giving them repentance and patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. All these things we ask of thee, for the love of Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God! who hast given us grace at this time, with one accord, to make our common supplications unto thee; and hast promised that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfill now, O Lord! the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them, granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come, life everlasting. *Amen.*

A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.

If it be desirable to use the above service with a Sermon, the Minister can introduce it here, after which he may add a Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.

The Minister may at his discretion omit part of the Week-Day Services.

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied unto you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

SERVICE FOR DAYS OF PUBLIC HUMILIATION.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

Introductory Prayer.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God! into whose presence we have come to offer unto thee the sacrifice of repentance and prayer, in the observance of this day of Public Humiliation, dispose our hearts to sincere and deep self-abasement, that, acknowledging the number and deploring the magnitude of our sins, we may obtain remission of them. O Lord! enter not into judgment with thy servants, who are miserable sinners. Pardon thy people who turn unto thee, for thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, slow to anger, and of great kindness. Favorably hear our prayers, O gracious God! and those of our brethren, who now call upon thee. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that our humiliation may bring forth the fruits of sincere amendment, through Jesus Christ thy Son. *Amen.*

AND since, O Lord! thou dost convert and sanctify us by thy holy word, we beseech thee to give us grace, now and at all times, to hear the same with attention, with reverence, and with fear: and to receive willingly the instructions and admonitions which may be addressed to us by the ministry of thy servants. Vouchsafe to them thine especial help; grant that they labor not in vain; and let not thy word return to thee unfruitful. May it please thee to accompany it with the power and efficacy of thy Holy Spirit; that it may produce in our hearts, the wholesome influence for which it is designed. Grant that we may be not only hearers, but doers of thy word, conformably to its divine instructions, during the time of our sojourning here, so that we may attain unto eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

First Lesson.

LISTEN with reverence and attention to the Ten Commandments of the Law of God, as they are written in the twentieth chapter of the Book of Exodus.

God spake these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

II. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; for I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work; thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V. Honor thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt not kill.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife; nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass; nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

Hear also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith, in the twenty-second chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind: This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.

The Confession.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY and Merciful Father! incline our hearts to call upon thee, and to seek thy presence. O Lord! have compassion on us; favorably hear our prayers, and let our supplications ascend unto thee.

O God! Lord of Heaven and Earth! we humble ourselves before thy Divine Majesty. Thou art the Great, the Supreme God, the Eternal. Thou didst make the heavens and all the hosts thereof, the earth and all that therein is. Thou givest life to all things; and the army of Heaven boweth down before thee. Thou art worthy to be adored by angels, and that men should fear thee and magnify thy glorious name. Thy majesty is incomprehensible: Thy greatness infinitely above our thoughts, and our praises. But thy goodness is over all thy works, and we come now to offer unto thee our thanks, for all the manifold blessings thou hast vouchsafed to us, even unto this day.

O Lord! we are crowned with thy favors, and the testimonies of thy loving kindness are ever around us. Thou hast given us life, and thy bountiful hand hath not ceased to provide all that is necessary to enable us to pass our days in peace. But we praise thee most especially that thou hast blessed us with all spiritual blessings in Jesus Christ, and art willing to number us with those who have been ransomed by the blood of thy Son, and are called to inherit the glory of thy kingdom. Through thy great mercy, thou hast offered to all of us the means of salvation, furthering us by thy word, by the voice of

thy servants, by the influence of thy Spirit, by thy bounties, by thy chastisements, and by thy continued help. Thou hast not rejected us in the midst of our iniquities; we are this day engaged in thy worship; and thou art still disposed to bless us.

But we have abused thy mercies, O our God! and have even made them the occasions of transgressing. We have not served thee, even whilst receiving thy benefits; we have corrupted ourselves, we have forsaken thee, we have dishonored and provoked thee, O God! who art the rock of our salvation. We have not walked in the light of thy Gospel, nor have we lived in a manner worthy of our vocation. Our misdeeds, O Lord! are multiplied; and our offences have ascended even unto Heaven.

O Lord! we confess the multitude and the greatness of our iniquities. Neither we, nor our rulers, nor our pastors, nor the people have fulfilled thy law. We have not been mindful of thy commandments, nor of the warnings vouchsafed unto us through thy Spirit, and by thy servants during the years of thy forbearance. O Lord! the sins committed among us have long provoked thine anger. Impiety and indevotion, hypocrisy, blasphemy, and the profanation of thy Holy Name, of thy holy worship, and of thy laws; injustice, violence, and fraud; hatred, dissensions, envy, and evil speaking; sensuality, intemperance, gluttony, and uncleanness; pride, luxury, avarice, and the love of the world; open transgressions and secret sins; the trespasses of the high, and the trespasses of the low; all these sins, O God! most righteous Judge, all these sins pollute our country, and its inhabitants, and justly kindle thine indignation and thy wrath.

O Lord! thou art just, and we are wicked. To thee belongeth righteousness, to us confusion of face. Thou mayest justly condemn us, and cast us away from thy presence. We confess our guilt, and humbly trust to the greatness of thy mercy.

O God! who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; who despisest not the prayers and sighs of such as call upon thee, hearken unto us, and to all miserable sinners, who confess their faults. Give thy grace unto those who are penitent. Grant this for

the love of thy dear Son; and in consideration of his sacrifice hear the prayers of thy servants. Be favorable, O God! be favorable unto thy people, who turn unto thee with humiliation and prayer. Be gracious unto us and pardon us, for thou art a God full of compassion, long suffering and of great mercy. Turn us unto thee, that forsaking our sins, and living in newness of life, we may be acceptable in thy sight.

O Lord our God! we ask these blessings through thine infinite goodness, in the name of thy Son, our Redeemer, who has commanded us to pray unto thee, saying:

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Second Lesson—A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.—Third Lesson—The Sermon—A Canticle, Psalm, or Hymn.

Let us pray.

O LORD! let thy mercy shine upon us: and grant us thy salvation.

O God! make clean our hearts within us: and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

A Prayer for Faith.

O LORD God! we render thanks unto thee, that thou hast called us to the knowledge and profession of the Christian Faith. We beseech thee to preserve and increase it in us, to the end, that continuing steadfast in the same, we may sincerely unite in the confession of the Church Universal—

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord: who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate: He was crucified: He died: He was buried: He went into the place of departed Spirits: the third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven: He sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: and thence, he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit.

I believe the Holy Church Universal: The communion of Saints: The remission of sins: The resurrection of the body: And the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Here introduce such of the Special, or Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings from Part III., as are suitable, may be requested, or the Minister's discretion may suggest.

General Prayer.

Let us pray.

O LORD our God! we come before thee on this day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer, to offer unto thee our confessions and supplications, and to pray for all conditions of men, and especially for all the necessities of thy Church.

O God! Creator and Father of the human race, we pray unto thee that the light of thy holy gospel may shine upon all nations and upon all men who still sit in darkness, to the end that thy name, which is great and holy, may be known and glorified in all places, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray to thee for the prosperity of the Church Universal. Guide it always by thy Word and Spirit: and suffer not the gates of hell to prevail against it. Deliver all Churches which suffer persecution. We beseech thee to take away the dissensions and errors which disturb the Christian world; and to unite all thy people in the bonds of truth, godliness, and peace. Vouchsafe thy blessing upon the Churches of our country, preserve them from error and from vice, remove ignorance and scandal from them, and grant that peace, order, and piety, may prevail among them. O Lord! pardon and be gracious unto

this Church, establish therein more and more the knowledge and the fear of thy name, bless the families and individuals who compose it, of all ages and conditions.

We commend to thy favor all Pastors and Ministers who have been ordained to lead thy flocks. Sanctify and endue plenteously with thy gifts those who exercise the holy ministry, and those who are preparing for it: and send forth always zealous laborers into thy harvest. Grant success to the pious designs and holy efforts of all thy faithful servants who seek thy Glory, and the edification of thy Church. Bless the Pastors of this country, to whom thou hast committed the care of our salvation, and who watch for our souls. O God! forgive the sins and negligence of thy Ministers and Servants. Purify thy Sanctuary, and rekindle the zeal of Pastors and People; that thy holy name may be more and more glorified among us.

We offer also unto thee our prayers for all Rulers and Magistrates. Give them a knowledge of thyself, and inspire them with true zeal for thy Glory, and the good of thy Church. We pray for thy blessing on the President of these United States, and on all in authority over us. Guide them in the discharge of their respective duties, and grant that they may have no other end in view than the advancement of the public good. O God! continue to watch over our country, and to bless us. Withdraw not thy grace from the people of these States. Turn away from us thy judgments, and be favorable unto us, for the sake of thy Holy Name.

We implore thy grace for all who are in affliction. We commend especially to thy mercy all those who are under the Cross, and who suffer persecution in any manner, for righteousness' sake. Comfort and deliver them; raise up those who are fallen, and strengthen all, that they may glorify thee in life and in death. Pity and relieve such as are afflicted in mind, body, or estate: and especially those of our brethren, members of this Church, who have been unable to meet us this day in thy house. Grant unto them the repentance and resignation which they need, and grace to make a right use of their afflictions.

O our God! before whom we have this day humbled ourselves, vouchsafe to accept our prayers, and favorably hear all who seek thee with sincerity of heart. Lord! have mercy upon us, and grant us thy peace. O Lord! receive our supplications, our vows, and our praises: and may our humiliation produce in us the fruits of true repentance, through thy Son Jesus Christ, in whose name thou hast promised to hear us. *Amen.*

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you, and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

MAY the Blessing of God our Father, the Grace and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied upon you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

PART III.

SECTION FIRST.

PRAYERS FOR STATED OCCASIONS.

TO BE USED AS PART OF THE MORNING SERVICE.

For the Day of the Nativity.

O ALMIGHTY God! Merciful Father! it is our duty to bless thee and to give thee thanks at all times, but more especially on this day, when we commemorate the blessed nativity of Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Thou hadst promised to our first parents in Paradise to send thy Son into the world. Thou hadst ordained his coming to be announced by the Prophets; and thou didst cause him to be born in the fullness of time. Thine Eternal Son, who from the beginning was with thee, vouchsafed to take upon him our nature, and to become man; so that he is very God, and very Man, our Immanuel, God with us. He, who was in the form of God, took upon him the form of a servant. He did partake, as children do, of our nature, even of flesh and blood. He was made like unto his brethren in all things, sin only excepted, to the end that he might be a merciful High Priest, to make reconciliation for our sins.

How great is this mystery of Godliness! God manifest in the Flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of Angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the World, and received up into Glory.

O God! we believe and confess, to the praise of thy mercy, that it is through the coming of thy Son into the world that we do not perish eternally. May our prayers and thanksgivings on this solemn occasion, be acceptable unto thee! Favorably look upon thy people, who offer unto thee their supplications. Preserve thy Church, which this day commemorates the Advent of the Redeemer, and celebrates thy praises.

O God! Heavenly Father! who didst send the Angel Gabriel to announce the birth of thy Son Jesus Christ, and didst cause him to be born of the Holy Virgin, through the power of the Holy Spirit; sanctify us by the same Spirit, that Christ may be formed in us, that he may live in us, and dwell in us by faith, and that we may live only in him, and for him.

O Lord! who didst cause a miraculous splendor to shine around the shepherds on the night in which thy Son came into the world, illumine our minds, we beseech thee, with thy celestial light. So assist us by thy grace, O Heavenly Father! that we may live henceforth, even unto the end, in holiness, righteousness, and temperance, as becometh those who believe that thy Son came to save them. May we await with joy and in peace, the glorious appearing of Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee, and the Holy Spirit, be rendered honor and glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For the two Sundays During the Holy Days of the Nativity.

O GOD! Creator of the World, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we lift up our hearts unto thee, we adore thy Majesty, we offer the humble sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, more especially at this time, when so many of thy servants commemorate the Nativity of their Redeemer.

Through thy great love towards mankind, thou didst send thine only Son into the World. Thou didst ordain that he should be born on earth; that there he should be subject to the infirmities of our nature; and that he should offer up on the Cross, for the salvation of men, that same body which he had received from the blessed Virgin, his mother.

O Lord! we acknowledge with joy and thanksgiving, that by this birth, and by this sacrifice, all who serve thee faithfully are raised from death unto life, and made heirs of thy Kingdom. We therefore magnify thy name, and adore thy mercy. Let the Angels extol thy Glory and thy Goodness! Let the Sons of Men proclaim thy great praise, and say: Glory be to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will towards men!

Jesus! Son of God! we bless thee that thou madest thyself man to redeem us; and we beseech thee to make us truly sensible of the saving efficacy of this Redemption. Thou, who art the Son of the blessed God, the joy and glory of mankind, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou, who wast upon earth subject to infirmity as we are; who didst lay down thy life, and having taken it up again, art returned into the bosom, and into the glory of thy Father in Heaven; where thou sittest at his right hand, where the Angels are subject unto thee, and where thou art preparing for us eternal habitations, favorably hear our prayers, and receive our praises. Thou, who didst come to destroy the works of Satan, turn us from our iniquities. Thou, who wast born and didst live in lowliness, renouncing the pleasures and glory of the world, and submitting thyself even to the death of the Cross; grant that we may despise the vanities and the deceitful riches of this mortal life, and may aspire only to that heavenly glory, and those everlasting treasures, which thou hast purchased for us. As thou hast so loved us, may we in like manner love thee with all our hearts, and may nothing ever separate us from thy love.

O God! we believe that thy dear Son was born to raise us to life eternal. Teach us, then, rightly to understand, that having this faith, and this hope, we ought to purify ourselves, even as he is pure. May we thus be enabled worthily to celebrate thy praise, and to rejoice in the expectation of the glory to be revealed in us. And when this mighty Saviour, shall again appear with power and glory, for the sake of those who await his coming unto their salvation, may we be made like unto him in thy Kingdom, where he liveth, adored and glorified, through all Eternity. *Amen.*

For the First Day of the Year.

O ETERNAL and Almighty God! we humble ourselves in thy presence, to dedicate unto thee the beginning of this year by adoration, prayer, and praise. We bow down before thy Supreme Majesty, and acknowledge with gratitude the manifold blessings which thou hast freely bestowed upon us during the whole course of our lives. We thank thee that having preserved us to the present time, thou hast permitted us to enter upon a new year.

Thou hast not ceased, O most gracious God! to vouchsafe to us the abundance of thy loving kindness. But thou hast especially enriched us with thy spiritual blessings, by keeping in the midst of us the light of thy Gospel. Thou hast invited us to repentance through thy mighty help, through thy great goodness, and through the warnings of thy Word and of thy Spirit; and hast mercifully granted unto all of us favorable opportunities to grow in grace, and to attain unto Salvation. Receive, O God! our praises and our thanksgivings; and although we have offended thee in various ways, mercifully pardon us for the love of Jesus Christ, and henceforth take not away from us thy protection and thy favor.

O Lord! we devote ourselves to thee at the beginning of this year, desiring to employ it better than we have done those which are past, and to this end we ask thy grace and thy blessing. Withhold them not from us, O God! and let thy mercy be with us during this year, and to the end of our days.

And since this day warns us, O merciful God! that our years pass away, and that our end draweth nigh, give us grace seriously to meditate on our condition, now and at all times. Teach us so to discern the vanity of this life, that we may have an understanding heart; that we may aspire to that better life, when days, and months, and years shall be counted no more forever: and that whilst we continue in the flesh, we may live no longer according to the desires thereof, but according to thy will. O God! give us grace to conduct ourselves with such wisdom, soberness, and piety, that when our years shall come to an end, and the day of our death shall arrive, we may be able to leave this world with joy in thy peace, and in the hope

of a happy eternity. Favorably hear us, O Lord! and receive our thanksgivings and supplications, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Palm Sunday.

BLESSED Lord! who, of thy tender mercy towards mankind, didst offer thyself upon the Cross, a sacrifice for sin, grant that through thy grace we may offer unto thee ourselves, our souls, and bodies, and all that appertaineth to us, a living sacrifice, desiring always to glorify thee, to serve thee, and to live only unto thee. Praise the Lord, all ye servants of his! magnify him, for he is good, and his mercy endureth forever. Rejoice, O daughter of Zion! Behold thy King, who cometh to save thee. Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord. Blessed be the Kingdom of our Father David. Peace be on earth, and glory in the highest.

Lord Jesus! thou didst enter into the City of Jerusalem amidst the acclamations and praises of the multitude, and of thy Disciples, who spread their garments in the way, and accompanied thee, bearing in their hands branches of palm trees. Give us grace to prepare thy way by all manner of good works; to bear before thee the fruits of righteousness, and to rejoice, without ceasing, in thy salvation. O Lord! who wast well pleased to be praised by the Children in the Temple, crying aloud, Hosanna to the Son of David! grant, that by imitating their innocence and simplicity, we may celebrate thy praises acceptably. And when thou shalt descend from Heaven, at the last day, may we enter with thee into the Heavenly Jerusalem, into the Temple of thy Holiness, and into the Palace of thy Glory, to praise thee, and to bless thee forever. *Amen.*

For the Day of the Crucifixion.

To be used instead of the General Prayer—pages 4 and 12.

ALMIGHTY God! we beseech thee to look favorably upon thy people, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be delivered into the hands of wicked men, and

to suffer death upon the Cross. Grant, that as thy blessed Son shed his blood, an atonement for our sins, we may thereby obtain pardon, through thy mercy; and that this precious blood may purify our consciences, to enable us to serve thee, the living God, through the same Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

O gracious and merciful God! who hast created all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, we offer unto thee our humble and fervent prayers for the ignorant and unbelieving. May it please thee especially, in thy great mercy, to look upon the Children of Israel, once thy chosen people, now rejected because of unbelief, but not forever: and who still belong to thine election, for the sake of their fathers. Graciously hear the supplications of thy Church for their conversion, and remove from their hearts the veil of spiritual blindness and unbelief. O Lord Jesus! who didst come to save the lost sheep of the House of Israel: compassionate Redeemer! who didst pray for those who crucified thee, have pity on thine ancient nation, who still reject thee. Convert and bring back the remnant of Jacob, to the end, that looking upon him whom they pierced, all Israel, according to thy promises, may be saved. *Amen.*

Almighty God! we implore thy great mercy in favor of the heathen. Give them the light of thy Gospel, that forsaking their unbelief, they may know and serve thee, the living and true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. Turn all Mahometans and Infidels from the error of their ways. O Lord Jesus Christ! the Great Shepherd of the Flock, and Redeemer of the World, who didst lay down thy life for the salvation of all men, bring home thy sheep, which are not as yet in thy fold, to the end that there may be but one flock, and one shepherd, and that the fullness of the nations having come into thy Church, every mouth may praise thee, and every tongue acknowledge thee to be the Lord, to the glory of God, thy Father. *Amen.*

Favorably hear us, O Lord! O Lamb of God! who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, and receive

our supplications and praises; Thou, who reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, blessed forever. *Amen.*

For the Resurrection.

O GOD! we thank thee for the privilege of commemorating, this day, the fulfillment of the work of our redemption. Thy mercy towards mankind led thee to yield to the death of the Cross thy well beloved Son, in whom was no sin. He was delivered up for our transgressions, and suffered for our iniquities. He gave his life an offering for sin, and thou didst raise him from the dead on the third day as the Great Shepherd of the Flock.

Christ, our Passover, hath been sacrificed for us: Christ is risen from the dead: he hath come forth from the Tomb: he hath conquered death, and liveth for ever and ever. The stone which the builders rejected, hath become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord hath made. May we rejoice therein and say, God hath raised us up with Christ, and hath made us to sit with him in heavenly places. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for us. Accept, O Almighty God! the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which thy servants offer unto thee on this day of the resurrection of their Redeemer.

O Lord! who hast opened unto us the way to a better life, by this resurrection of thy blessed Son, give us grace, that being risen with Christ, we may seek those things which are above, and not those which are on earth: May we live no more to ourselves, but to him, who died and rose again for us, to the end, that in the day of his last coming we may be partakers of the Resurrection of the Just: that our mortal bodies may put on immortality, and that we may be found worthy to obtain the happiness of the world to come, and life eternal, through the same Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, God blessed and glorified forever. *Amen.*

For Ascension Day.

O LORD God Almighty! we would now especially rejoice in thy holy presence, and bless thee for the Ascension of Jesus Christ, our Saviour, who was taken up from Earth into Heaven. After thy Son had humbled himself even to the death of the Cross, thou didst highly exalt him, and hast given him a name which is above every name. Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor. Thou hast put all things under his feet, and hast made him to sit at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

O Lord Jesus Christ! thou hast entered into Heaven. Prince of Peace! the everlasting gates have opened unto thee. Thy Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom. Thou art the King of Glory. Thou art supreme in power, both in Heaven, and on Earth. Thou art ascended to thy Father, and our Father, to thy God, and our God. Thou livest and reignest for ever and ever; and thou art able to save to the uttermost them who come unto God by thee. Thou hast entered into Heaven as our forerunner. It is thy pleasure, that where thou art, there we should also be: and we believe that thou wilt come again in like manner as thy Apostles saw thee ascend into Heaven. We therefore adore thee, we call upon thee, we bless thee, and we rejoice in thy triumph, and thy glory. We beseech thee also to make us partakers of the fruits of thine ascension, and to send down upon us from on high thy Holy Spirit. By thy death and ascension thou hast opened Heaven unto us. Suffer not that our ingratitude and our sins should close it against us. Grant that we may seek the things which are above, where thou sittest on the right hand of God: and that by holy meditations and fervent desires, our affections may be raised towards Heaven, thy dwelling place.

O Lord Jesus Christ! who didst promise to thy Disciples before thine ascension, that thou wouldst be with them even unto the end of the world, dwell with us in Spirit, according to thy promises, whilst we continue upon earth, deprived of thy presence in the body, to the end that on the Day of Judgment, the day of thy last coming, we may hear with joy the voice of the Archangel, that when raised from the dead, we may be taken up to meet thee in the air, and may come to the Heavenly

Jerusalem, to the assembly of the first born and of the just made perfect, to thee, the mediator of the new Covenant, and to God, thy Father, and our Father, to whom belong glory and blessing, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For Pentecost.

ALMIGHTY God! Eternal Father! we praise thee and thank thee for all thy benefits, and especially for those which we commemorate at this time. We bless thee that thou hast redeemed us by thy Son, and that after having exalted him to thy right hand, thou didst send down thy Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, and afterwards upon thy whole Church. May it please thee, O Lord! graciously to receive our thanksgivings and praises for a gift so precious. Make us more and more sensible of the efficacy of the blood, which thy Son hath shed for us, and of the all-prevailing power of this Holy Spirit; to the end that we may persevere in the holy calling wherewith thou hast honored us, and that we may glorify thee, all the days of our lives.

Spirit of Light and of Truth! lead us into all truth, enlighten our understandings, and dispel more and more the darkness thereof. Spirit of Prayer and of Supplication! teach us to pray as we ought, and create in us such holy desires as we cannot express. Spirit of Power! sustain us always by thine influence, be with us in temptations, direct us by thy grace without ceasing, and lead us continually unto well doing. Spirit of Holiness! come thou and sanctify our understandings and our hearts, purify our affections, and prepare us to do our duty, each in the vocation to which he is called. Spirit of Consolation! dwell with us always, comfort us in affliction, fill us at all times with joy unspeakable and full of glory. Spirit of Peace! give unto us gentle, and charitable dispositions towards one another: give unto us that peace which the world can neither give nor take away.

O Holy and Divine Spirit! thou who didst descend upon the Apostles in cloven tongues, like as of fire, and didst bestow on them the gift of divers tongues, kindle in our hearts a heavenly

flame, inspire us with such fervent zeal, as may lead us to glorify thee, and to edify our neighbor by all manner of holy conversation and of pious works.

O God! cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us. Suffer us not to grieve or to quench this Holy Spirit. May he rather dwell continually in us, as in his Temple! May he guide us during our sojourn on earth, and may we rejoice without ceasing in his divine consolations! May we thus finish our course with joy! May our mortal bodies be one day quickened by the Spirit; and may we, at the last, be accounted worthy to enter into thy glory, there to render eternally, praise and honor to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

For the two Sundays of the Holy Days in September After the Communion.

O OUR God and our Father! Sovereign Lord and Ruler of all things, who art blessed in the Heavens, who art seated between the Cherubim, thousands of thousands of Angels continually worship before thee, celebrating thy Glory and thy Majesty, which fill the Heavens and the Earth. We praise thee, we magnify thy great mercy, and glorify thy name; for thy name is holy and glorious, greatly to be feared, and worthy to be exalted, now and forever, through Jesus Christ, thy Son.

We offer unto thee, O Lord! our thanksgivings and our praises, with humility and joy, for as much as thou hast vouchsafed to receive us at thy table, and to number us among thy servants, and the heirs of thy Kingdom, although we are beset by so many sins, and so much wretchedness. We beseech thee, through the merits of thy Son, and faith in his blood, that we may be partakers of the fruits of his sacrifice, which we have this day commemorated. Grant that we may obtain through thy mercy remission of our sins, a sense of thy love, that peace which the world neither giveth nor taketh away, and an entrance into thine everlasting Kingdom.

Send down upon us from Heaven thy Holy Spirit to enlighten, to sanctify, to gladden our souls. May we, through the same

Spirit, quickening us, more and more, serve thee with a pure conscience, love one another in sincerity of heart, walk in innocence, and keep ourselves unspotted from the world.

So assist us, that whilst we are here in the body, absent from thee, we may keep the Covenant, which we have this day renewed, and may be faithful to thee even unto death. May this heavenly food which hath been provided for us at thy table, preserve, and increase in us spiritual life, and destroy sin more and more in us. May we derive from this communion in the death of thy Son, victory over temptation, perseverance in faith, a sure defence against our spiritual enemies, and a continual growth in charity, humility, and patience, that being enabled to lead a holy life, we may die the death of the righteous.

Finally, we beseech thee, O most gracious God! that as thou hast received us at this heavenly feast, prepared for us in thy Church, we may be admitted, after our departure from this world, to the marriage feast of the Lamb, with all thy Saints, and all thine elect, in thy Heavenly Kingdom; where thou wilt be all in all, where we shall be conformed to thy glorious image, and shall eternally praise the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

For the Preparatory Service before Communion Day.

O OUR God, and our Saviour! we humble ourselves before thee, and thank thee for all thy mercies, (but especially—*At the Nativity*—that we enjoy at this Holy Season, the sacred privilege of commemorating the blessed nativity of Jesus Christ thy Son. *At the Resurrection*—that thou dost graciously permit us at this Holy Season, to meditate on the Sufferings and Resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord, whereby thou hast redeemed us from death, to make us partakers of a life of eternal blessedness. *At Pentecost*—that we have at this Holy Season, the blessed privilege of meditating on the marvellous and precious gift of thy Spirit, poured out on the Apostles. *At the Holy Days of September*—that we have come together at this time, to commemorate the great love which thou hast manifested, in ransoming us by the death of thy Son.) We

bless thee also, that thou dost graciously call us, though miserable sinners, to thy holy table, and to a participation in the benefits, which Jesus Christ hath purchased for us, by his death and resurrection.

O Lord! we praise and thank thee, with heartfelt gratitude: and we beseech thee that thou wouldst be pleased to sanctify us by thy Spirit; for we are of ourselves unworthy to appear at this holy communion. Give us grace so to comprehend this holy and venerable Sacrament, and, above all, thine exceeding love, that we may come to thy table with dispositions acceptable unto thee.

Produce in us, O God! a deep conviction and a sincere repentance of our sins, a humble dependence on thy mercy, fervent gratitude for thine infinite love, and perfect confidence in the merits of thy Son, our only consolation in life and in death. Grant unto us, O God! a firm resolution to serve thee, according to thy will, and so to order our lives as becometh those, who renew their baptismal vow, and again bind themselves to thy service. Give us also grace to love one another, even as thou hast loved us: and to forgive one another, in like manner, as thou hast forgiven us.

Lord Jesus! supply in our hearts whatever is wanting for our preparation; preserve us from the danger of eating this bread and drinking this cup unworthily, and of thus rendering ourselves guilty of thy body and blood.

O Lord God! vouchsafe so to assist us by thy grace, that now, and at all times, we and thy whole Church may commemorate, as we ought, (the birth of thy Son.) (The sufferings and death of thy Son.) (The descent of the Holy Spirit.) May Jesus Christ henceforth live in us; and may we live in him, walking in newness of life, even to the end of our days, to the glory of thy Holy Name, and to our eternal salvation, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Thanksgiving Day.

O GOD! of infinite wisdom, power, and goodness, we acknowledge thee as the Creator of all things in the heavens above, in the earth beneath, and in the paths of the

sea. We adore thee for the grandeur and beauty of all thy works. We adore thy loving kindness in having made them so subservient to the wants and the happiness of thy children. O Lord our Governor! how excellent is thy name in all the earth! What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that thou visitest him! Thou hast made him a little lower than the Angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor! Thou hast given him dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowls of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. Thou hast given to him for meat, every moving thing that liveth, and every herb yielding seed, and every fruit tree yielding fruit after its kind. O God! the earth is full of thy goodness. Thou hast crowned us with mercy and loving kindness. Thou hast made us glad through thy works; and we will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands. O, may the children of men worship thee in the beauty of holiness from the rising of the sun, even unto the going down of the same; for thou hast remembered thy mercy and truth towards all mankind, and God, even our own God hath blessed them. We adore thee for thy gracious promise of old, that while the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. O God! thou didst set thy bow in the cloud for a token of a covenant that the waters should no more become a flood to destroy the earth. Thou hast remembered thy covenant: Thou visitest the earth and blessest it: Thou sendest the springs into the valleys which run among the hills: Thou hast caused the grass to grow for all cattle, and herb for the service of man, that he may bring forth food out of the earth. Thou makest the furrows of the field soft with showers; thou blessest the springing thereof. The pastures are clothed with flocks, the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy. Thou crownest the year with thy goodness, thy clouds drop fatness; they drop upon the pastures of the wilderness, and the little hills rejoice on every side. O Lord! how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: The earth is full of thy riches.

We adore thee, O God! not only in the dispensations of thy

bounty, and compassion, but in the dark and mysterious ways of thine inscrutable wisdom and justice. It is of thine infinite goodness that thou givest to all thy living creatures their meat in due season. These all wait upon thee to gather what thou givest them. Thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good: Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: Thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created, and thou renewest the face of the earth. O God! in thy wrath thou rememberest mercy; teach us to acknowledge thy long suffering, and thy loving kindness. Give us grace to believe and feel that whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth. May we be ever ready to offer unto thee in spirit and in truth the prayer of the holy Prophet: Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines, the labor of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: yet we will rejoice in the Lord; we will joy in the God of our salvation.

For ourselves and our country, O gracious God, we thank thee, that notwithstanding our manifold transgressions of thy holy laws, thou hast so constantly done good to us; that thou hast given us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons; filling our hearts with food and gladness. These have been among the witnesses of thy great goodness, for they certify of thee, that thou art the living God. May we confess and adore thy dominion over all the earth, and especially these manifestations of thy power and goodness. Teach us to believe with a strong faith, that thou art Lord of the seasons; that thou biddest the earth to bring forth, and it obeyeth thee; that thou hast appointed lights in the firmament of heaven for signs and for seasons; and for days and years. Accept our thanksgivings for all the blessings of the year now drawing to a close; fill our hearts with humility and love, with gratitude and trust; continue thy loving kindness to us, and assist us to show forth the fruits of grace in a sincere obedience to his will, through whom all blessings are vouchsafed, thy Son our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

SECTION SECOND.

COLLECTS FOR STATED OCCASIONS.

THESE MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE CORRESPONDING PRAYERS IN SECTION FIRST, OR MAY BE USED IN THE AFTERNOON SERVICE.

For Communion Days.

O ALMIGHTY God! we praise and thank thee, that in thine abundant mercy thou didst deliver up thy Son to the death of the Cross, and that we have this day had the consolation of commemorating that death in the Holy Supper. Lord! we thank thee for a gift so precious. We extol thy mercy, and we pray to thee, that all of us who have partaken of these holy mysteries, may profit by the sufferings of our Redeemer, and obtain, through thy goodness, the pardon of our offences, the graces of thy Spirit, a sense of thy love, the light of thy peace, and after this life, the glory of thy Kingdom. Hear us, we beseech thee, in the name and for the sake of our merciful Redeemer, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Nativity.

O ALMIGHTY God! who didst give thine only Son to take upon him our nature, and to be born of a Virgin, we implore thee to accept the praises which thy Church offers unto thee for this blessed nativity. Give us grace that by a true faith we may be partakers of the salvation which thy Son Jesus Christ brought into the world; and that being ourselves regenerate, and made thy children by adoption, we may serve thee in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our lives, through the same Jesus Christ, thy beloved Son. *Amen.*

For the Day of the Nativity.

O ALMIGHTY God! we thank thee that thou didst send thy Son, to be born of the Virgin, to the end that becoming man, he might redeem us: and that thou wilt send him a

second time from Heaven, to judge the world. Give us grace, that as we joyfully celebrate this day, the remembrance of the first coming of Jesus Christ our Saviour, we may also appear before him, with gladness and a pure conscience, at the day of his second and last Advent, when he will come in his glory, to judge the living and the dead. This we ask through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Last Day of the Year and for New Year's Day.

ALMIGHTY and most gracious God! since we are to close the year with this day, (since we are this day beginning a New Year) we thank thee for all the mercies vouchsafed to us, during the whole course of our lives, and especially during the year (now ending) (just closed.) We offer unto thee, O Lord! the sacrifice of our praises, and we acknowledge that through thy great goodness and help, we are enabled to pass our years in peace; although we have offended thee in various ways. Pardon, O merciful God! all who sincerely repent of their sins, and grant that while our years are passing away, we may employ in the work of our salvation the time thou mayest vouchsafe unto us, pressing always towards the end of our heavenly calling, even that blessed eternity, which Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, hath prepared for us. *Amen.*

For the Day of the Crucifixion.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God! who of thy tender love towards mankind, didst not spare thine only Son, but didst deliver him up to death, that he might ransom us from our sins, give us grace so to keep in mind the sufferings and death of our Saviour, that receiving this inestimable benefit, with lively faith and sincere gratitude, we may obtain remission of all our sins. We pray thee also, that through the efficacy of his death, we may die unto sin, and live unto righteousness; that we may be led to love one another, and to follow the example of patience, which our blessed Redeemer hath set before us; to the end that we may be made partakers of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Day of the Resurrection.

O GOD! who didst ordain that thine only Son should suffer death, should be buried and remain in the tomb until the third day, grant that we, who have been baptized into his death may be likewise buried with him, by continually mortifying our corrupt affections. And as he rose from the dead, may we also rise in newness of life: so that by death and the grave, we may pass to a joyful resurrection, through the merits of him, who died, was buried, and rose from the dead for our redemption. Through him we beseech thee to hear us. *Amen.*

For the Day of the Ascension.

O ALMIGHTY God! as we believe that Jesus Christ, thine only Son, ascended into Heaven, we beseech thee to give us grace to ascend thither in mind and in heart. We pray thee likewise not to leave us comfortless, but that thou wouldst be pleased to send us thy Holy Spirit to sanctify and to bless us, to lead and exalt us unto the place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, blessed forever. *Amen.*

For the Day of Pentecost.

O GOD! who didst send thy Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, to thy faithful people; grant us the help of the same Spirit, to lead us into the way of truth and godliness, and to inspire us with sentiments of peace and charity; to the end that we may evermore rejoice in thy holy consolations, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, blessed forever. *Amen.*

For the Season of Communion at the Holy Days of September.

ETERNAL and Almighty God! since we commemorate, at this time, the death of thy Son, in the celebration of the Holy Supper, which he himself ordained as a pledge of his

love and a memorial of his sufferings, to ransom us from our sins; we pray thee favorably to look upon us miserable sinners, who are unworthy to be partakers of these holy mysteries. Sanctify us, O Lord, that we may worthily celebrate thy praise, that we may show forth, in faith and in joy, the death of our Saviour, and glorify thee by holy and useful lives, through the same Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

SECTION THIRD.

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS.

TO BE USED EITHER IN THE MORNING OR AFTERNOON SERVICE.

PRAYERS.

For a Person or Persons to be Ordained.

O GOD! who hast established a visible Church upon earth, and hast ordained a holy ministry and sacraments therein, we pray to thee at this time especially for light and help to our Pastors. May they admit to the sacred charge of preaching the Gospel, such persons only as are blameless in life, and pure, meek, and fervent in spirit! May they be deeply sensible how solemn the duty is, to choose wisely and discreetly, those whom they shall receive into that Holy Ministry. More especially, do we pray thee at this time, to endue with thy Holy Spirit, and with heavenly gifts, our brother who is now to be ordained and dedicated to thy service. Sanctify him, to the end that in purity of doctrine, and holiness of life, he may serve thee faithfully, to the glory of thy holy name, and to the edification of thy servants. Hear our prayer, O merciful Father, in the name and for the sake of our compassionate High Priest, and adorable Redeemer, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Missionaries.

O ALMIGHTY God! thou art the father of all nations, and from thee cometh down every good and perfect gift. Thou, in thy divine providence, hast appointed a ministry for thy Church, and hast commanded them to teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. We ask then, a blessing on all missionaries throughout the world. Fill them, we pray thee, with zeal for

thy house; and enable them to gather many more lost sheep into the fold of the Redeemer. Endue them with innocence of life, and meekness of spirit. Give unto them a strong faith, animating hopes, and above all, Christian love. Grant that in this spirit, they may declare the whole counsel of God: to thy glory; to the salvation of many, ready to perish; and to the benefit of thy Holy Church Universal. Hear us, we beseech thee, in the name and for the sake of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world. *Amen.*

For the Spirit of Christian Love.

O GOD! who art the common Father of all mankind, thou hast taught us that although we speak with the tongues of Angels, and have all faith, yet without charity we are nothing. We bless thee that thou hast vouchsafed unto us this precious mystery of Christian love. Grant that we may understand and believe, that charity suffereth long and is kind; seeketh not her own; is not easily provoked; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth. May we so imitate the meekness and humility of thy blessed Son, as to experience in our hearts, and show forth in our lives, that the charity which thou requirest in the inward man vaunteth not itself; beareth all things; believeth all things; hopeth all things; endureth all things. We acknowledge our sinfulness and insufficiency, and how often we have failed in love to thee and to our fellow-men. But we beseech thee, O most compassionate Father! lead us yet into ways of pleasantness and paths of peace: and enable us, whether we live or die, to glorify thee with thoughts and words, and deeds of love. Hear us and accept our prayer, O God of Love! in the name and for the sake of thy gracious Son, the Prince of Peace. *Amen.*

For Profitable Meditation on the Works of Creation and Redemption.

O ALMIGHTY God! and gracious author of all things, thou didst create in six days, the heavens and the earth, and all that is therein, and hast created a new heaven and a new earth,

by the ransom of the world, through Jesus Christ. Give us grace so to meditate on the wonders of Creation and Redemption, that knowing and adoring thee, more and more unto perfection, we may rejoice continually in thy marvellous works, and may enter one day into that eternal rest which thou hast prepared for them that love thee, through the same Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Rain.

O GOD! Heavenly Father! who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to those who seek thy kingdom and its righteousness all things necessary for their bodily subsistence, we beseech thee to hear our supplications. Graciously send us rains and favorable seasons, that our hearts may be filled with joy, and that the earth may bring forth the fruits for which thou hast created it. O God! who didst provide for thy people during forty years in a barren and thirsty wilderness, command, we pray thee, the clouds to drop fatness through all thy heritage, and banish the drought from our borders. Overwhelm us not, merciful Father, with thy chastisements, but may we still be spared to praise and adore thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

O GOD! Heavenly Father! who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to those who seek thy kingdom, all things needful to their temporal comfort; grant, we beseech thee, that our land may be speedily refreshed with rain, to the relief of our necessities, and to thy glory, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O LORD God Almighty! thou didst bring the deluge upon the earth for the sins of mankind, and didst afterwards promise in thy great compassion, that thou wouldst destroy it in like manner no more. We acknowledge that through our

transgressions we are justly exposed to thy displeasure. But we beseech thee to regard our sorrow and repentance, to restrain thy righteous indignation, and to remember us in mercy. Withdraw from us the continual rains wherewith thou art visiting us. Vouchsafe to us favorable times for the growth and ingathering of the fruits of the year in their due season. Give us grace so to profit by thy chastisements, as to love thee better and fear thee more, through all the residue of our sojourn upon earth. Hear us, O most merciful Father! for Christ's sake. *Amen.*

In Times of Dearth and Famine.

O GOD! Heavenly Father! who givest the former and the latter rain, through thee the earth is fertile, the beasts of the field are nourished, and the fishes of the sea are multiplied. Thou holdest in thy hand the season appointed for harvest. Amidst the abundance of all things, which thy loving kindness has provided, we have neglected to serve thee, and thou dost now recall us to repentance and obedience by dearth and famine. We acknowledge, O God! that our sins have drawn upon us thine indignation. O Lord! we cry unto thee; because the fountains of water fail. May the heavens answer to the earth; may they give unto all things their due increase, that we, receiving at thy bounteous hand, the blessings which thou hast withheld, may devote them to the comfort of the destitute, to our own benefit, and to thy glory. These things we humbly ask, O Gracious Father! in the name of our compassionate Redeemer, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

In Time of War.

O GOD! the Lord of Hosts! [wars and rumors of wars are around us. Nation riseth against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and peradventure these things are but the beginning of sorrows. O God!] vengeance belongeth unto thee; thy power no creature can resist; but remember us in

mercy, we humbly beseech thee, O God of Peace! Restrain the efforts of our enemies; turn their strength into weakness; overrule their malice, and confound their devices. Inspire all who are high in authority over the nations with thoughts of humanity and peace; till the whole earth become as one family. May glory to God and good will to men prevail upon earth, that we may praise thee and bless thee in quietness all the days of our life. Grant we beseech thee our prayer for the Redeemer's sake. *Amen.*

In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality.

O LORD! we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled. Thou hast set our iniquities before thee; our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. Our days are passed in thy displeasure, and we spend our years as a tale that is told. Thou hast dealt justly with us, O Lord! in all things; for we have not obeyed thee. Thou hast seen that our wickedness was great, that the thoughts of our hearts were evil continually, and thou hast sent forth sickness and tribulation among us. The King of Terrors is in the midst of us. O God! remember mercy, and withdraw from our land this awful scourge. O Thou! at whose word in the time of David, seventy thousand perished by the pestilence, and who in thy compassion didst stay the destroyer, and spared the residue of thy people, have pity on us. O! say to this angel of death, it is enough; and of thy mercy spare us. But whatever the future may have in store for us, whether of good or of evil, give us grace to praise thy compassion with humility and fear, and to bless thy name for ever and ever, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

During the Session of Congress.

MOST Gracious God! we humbly beseech thee, in behalf of the people of these United States, that thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all the consultations of their Senators and Representatives in Congress assembled, to the

advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honor and welfare of our country. Grant that all things under their authority may be ordered and settled upon the best and surest foundations; and that peace and happiness, truth and justice, faith and piety, may abound among us, through all generations. These and all other blessings, for them, for us, and for our country, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the name, and through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

For a Person Expecting (or under) Sentence of Death.

GREAT GOD! Creator and Governor of the world, we humble ourselves before thee, and acknowledge thy power. We praise thy wisdom, thy justice, and thine infinite goodness, which appear in all thy works; but more especially in thy care of the children of men. It is thy will that order and justice should reign in the world, and that laws and magistrates should be established for the good of Society, and the maintenance of public tranquillity. Thy holy word teacheth us that the powers that be are ordained of God, and bear not the sword in vain, but are ministers for the punishment of evil doers.

We thank thee, O God! that magistrates have been provided in our land to administer justice and to restrain the wicked, that we may lead quiet and peaceful lives, in all godliness and honesty. Preserve for us this precious institution. Bless thy people, in whose name and on whose behalf its benefits are dispensed, and all who are in authority.

We pray to thee especially, for our Judges and Juries. Bless them in the discharge of their respective duties. Give them thy spirit of light and of strength, to pronounce righteous judgment, for the protection of the innocent and the punishment of the guilty, without respect of persons. May they be prepared to render unto thee an account of their administration when they shall appear before thy tribunal, to be judged themselves.

We implore thy mercy, O most gracious God! for the unhappy

man in whose behalf our prayers are offered. O God! who desirest that the greatest of sinners should turn from his wickedness and live, we pray thee to seek this unfortunate prisoner, who having forsaken thee, hath been surprised in his iniquities, and is about to suffer the punishment of the law, and to appear before thee.

O Lord Jesus! Saviour and Redeemer of men, who didst graciously hear the prayers of a malefactor crucified with thee, have pity on this convict, now cast down in thy holy and awful presence, accept his repentance, and grant that the punishment which awaits him may be sanctified to the salvation of his soul.

Hear, O God! hear from Heaven, thy dwelling place, the prayers he may offer to thee in his distress. Favorably hear those who may intercede for him. If his body must suffer, may his spirit be saved in the day of the Lord. Although he may not escape the judgment of men, grant that he fall not under that awful condemnation, which destroyeth body and soul.

Have mercy on all of us, O God! our Sovereign Judge! Give us repentance of our sins, and a dread of thy judgments, that by amendment and obedience, we may escape the wrath to come, and find pardon in that great day, when thou wilt render unto all according to their works. These, and all other mercies, O Lord, we ask in the name and for the sake of thy compassionate Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. *Amen.*

For a Sick Person.

FAVORABLY hear us, O Father of Mercies! while we implore thy compassion, in behalf of the sick person for whom our prayers are desired. Visit *him* with thine infinite goodness and sanctify unto *him* thy fatherly correction. May the sense of *his* danger strengthen *his* faith, and make *his* repentance the more sincere! Restore *him* to the prayers of *his* family, and of thy servants who ask thine assistance, for the restoration of *his* health, and grant that the residue of *his* life may be devoted to *his* salvation and to thy glory. But if it

shall seem to thee good to order otherwise, give *him* grace to end *his* days in faith and hope, that *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Sick Child.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father! in thy hands are the issues of life and death. Look down we beseech thee in compassion upon the sick child, for whom our prayers are desired. If it be thy good pleasure, deliver *him* from his bodily sickness, prolong *his* days upon earth, enable *him* to live in thy fear and to thy glory, and visit *him* with thy salvation. But if it please thee, O Gracious God! in thy wise providence to take *his* soul at this time out of the world, receive *him*, we entreat thee, into those heavenly habitations, where the spirits of all who are in the Lord Jesus, enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this for the love of the same Jesus Christ, thy Son. *Amen.*

For a Person or Persons Under Affliction.

O MERCIFUL God and Heavenly Father! thou hast taught us in thy Holy Word, that thou dost not willingly afflict the children of men. Look with pity, we beseech thee, on the sorrows of thy servant, for whom our prayers are desired. In thy wisdom, thou hast visited *him* with trouble, and hast brought distress upon *him*. Remember *him*, O Lord! in mercy. Sanctify thy fatherly correction to *him*. Endue *his* soul with patience under *his* affliction, and with resignation to thy blessed will. Comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness and give *him* peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Person or Persons Going or Gone to Sea.

O ETERNAL God! who alone spreadest out the Heavens and rulest the raging of the sea, we commend to thy Almighty protection, thy servant, for whose preservation on the

great deep our prayers are desired. Guard *him*, we beseech thee, from the dangers of the sea, from sickness, from the violence of enemies, and from every evil to which *he* may be exposed. Conduct *him* in safety to the haven where *he* would be, and fill him with a grateful sense of thy mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVINGS.

For Rain.

O GOD! Our Heavenly Father! who by thy providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man, we give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee favorably to hear our prayers: and in our great necessity, to send us rain for the dry and thirsty earth. For this thy mercy, we bless thee, O God! beseeching thee to give us grace to receive all thy gifts with thankfulness, and to use them according to thy commandments, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O LORD God! we were justly humbled by thy displeasure, and we now return thee our thanks, that thou hast been graciously pleased to hear our supplications and to withdraw from us the continual rains with which thou didst visit us. We thank thee that thou hast comforted us in our calamity, by a change so acceptable, in our necessities. We praise thee, and we glorify thy name, for this further testimony of thy fatherly love. May we so enjoy thy blessings, as to live in thy fear and keep thy commandments, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Abundance.

O MOST Merciful Father! who hast graciously heard our prayers, and hast given us plenty instead of dearth, we give thee our humble thanks for this thy bounty. We beseech thee to continue thy loving kindness unto us, that the earth may bring forth abundantly its fruits in their season. We bless thee, O Lord! for these things, desiring to use them in thy fear and in obedience to thy commandments, through the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Peace.

ALMIGHTY God! who art a tower of defence to all who put their trust in thee, we bless thee, and give thee thanks for our deliverance from the dangers which threatened us. O God! through thee alone men live in peace and concord. Thou only art able to calm the storms, which disturb the tranquillity of our race. We return thee most humble thanks that thou hast been pleased favorably to hear our supplications and to give us peace. We praise thee, O Lord! for this thy mercy. Grant that the blessing thus graciously vouchsafed to us, may be permanent. Above all, we beseech thee to give us that peace, which the world cannot give, even thy peace which passeth all understanding, and which keepeth our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, through the same, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

For Deliverance from Great Sickness and Mortality.

O FATHER of Mercies! we acknowledge with deep humility, that through the multitude of our transgressions and the hardness of our hearts, we might have been justly visited with all the judgments, which thou hast denounced against sinners. But thou hast been graciously pleased in thine infinite compassion, favorably to hear our prayers and regard our imperfect humiliation. Thou hast withdrawn from us the grievous sickness which afflicted us. For this thy mercy, O Lord! we

bless thee, and desire to present unto thee our bodies and our souls a living sacrifice. Receive our adoration: accept the testimony of our thanksgivings and enable us so to live, as to love thee, to fear thee, and to keep thy commandments. Hear us, O compassionate Father! in the name and for the sake of thy Son, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Recovery from Sickness.

O GOD of all Compassion! receive our humble thanks for thy mercy vouchsafed to thy servant, who now desires to praise and bless thee for the restoration of *his* health. Thou hast redeemed *his* life from destruction, thou coverest *him* with loving kindness and tender mercies. In him hath been manifested the truth declared by thy Holy Prophets: "Even the youth shall faint and be weary: and the young man shall utterly fail; but they that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength." May *he* then adore thy goodness! Grant that *his* faith and *his* works may be a worthy example to thy Church: and, after serving thee acceptably here, may *he* be received into the temple of thy glory, to praise thee in the assembly of thy Saints. Hear us, we beseech thee, for Christ's sake. *Amen.*

For Recovery of a Sick Child.

O GOD! thou art the giver of life, and the author of health unto all mankind, and to thy providence we owe our preservation from day to day. It is of thy merciful goodness, that the sick child for whom our prayers are offered unto thee, hath been graciously spared and restored unto those, whom thou hast ordained as *his* guardians and friends. We desire to unite with them, and on their behalf to return thee our humble and hearty thanks, for this manifestation of thy loving kindness. May they be deeply sensible how compassionate thou art: and may the child thou hast given back to them, fill their hearts with

pious gratitude, and be an example of every Christian virtue, so long as *he* shall live. We ask these things for Christ's sake. *Amen.*

For a Safe Return from Sea.

MOST gracious God! whose mercy is over all thy works, we praise thy holy name, that thou hast been pleased to conduct in safety through the perils of the great deep, thy servant, in whose behalf we desire to return our thanks unto thee. Grant that *he* may be duly sensible of thy merciful providence towards *him*: and that *he* may also express *his* thankfulness by a holy trust in thee, and by a willing obedience to thy laws, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Deliverance in Time of Anxiety and Danger.

O ALMIGHTY God! thou hast been graciously pleased to preserve amidst the anxiety and danger, to which *he* hath been exposed, thy servant in whose behalf we now desire to offer our praises unto thee. For this thy gracious deliverance, most merciful Father! we give thee humble thanks. And we beseech thee to grant that through thy help *he* may live according to thy holy will in this life, and may be partaker of everlasting glory, in the life to come, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

SECTION FOURTH.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS.

For Love to God and Spiritual Nourishment.

O LORD of all Power and Holiness! the author of every good and perfect gift, we beseech thee to engraft in our hearts the love of thy name. Increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same, through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Imitation of Christ.

ALMIGHTY Father! who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification, grant that we may always thankfully receive this inestimable benefit, and daily endeavor to follow his blessed footsteps, in singleness of heart and purity of life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Imitation of Christ.

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God! who of thy tender love towards mankind, didst send thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, mercifully grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and be made partakers of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. *Amen.*

For Purity of Thought.

ALMIGHTY God! unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, purify our thoughts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may

perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name, through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Divine Compassion and Blessing.

ALMIGHTY God! the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking, we beseech thee to have compassion on our infirmities, and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, through the merits of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Grace, Mercy and Direction.

O GOD! the Protector of all who trust in thee, without whom we have neither strength, nor faith, nor holiness of life, we beseech thee to increase thy grace in our hearts, and to multiply thy blessings upon us. Vouchsafe to be our ruler and our guide, that we may so pass through things temporal, as not to lose things eternal. Grant this, O Heavenly Father! for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Grace and Acceptance.

O GOD! the strength of all who put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers: and since, through the weakness of our fallen nature, we can do nothing good without thee, grant us the continual help of thy grace, that by keeping thy commandments we may be found acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Grace and Heavenly Treasures.

O GOD! who desirest not the the death of a sinner, but art pleased to manifest thine Almighty Power, chiefly in pity and forgiveness, mercifully vouchsafe to us, such a measure of

thy grace, that walking in the way of thy commandments we may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasures, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Help and Protection.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord! in all our prayers and thanksgivings, and dispose the hearts of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation: that among all the changes of this mortal life, we may ever be defended by thy gracious and ready help, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Truth and Life.

ALMIGHTY God! thou hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and hast promised that when two or three are gathered together in thy name, thou wilt grant their requests. Fulfill now, O Lord! the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be most expedient for them; granting them in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come, life everlasting, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Penitence and Pardon.

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God! who hatest nothing which thou hast made, and forgivest the sins of all who are penitent, create in us new and contrite hearts, that lamenting our iniquities and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, forgiveness and remission, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For Pardon and Blessing.

O ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God! who art always more ready to hear, than we to pray, and art wont to give more than we desire or deserve, vouchsafe unto us the abundance of

thy mercies, pardoning the transgressions whereof our consciences are afraid, and granting us those blessings, which we are unworthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For The Church.

O LORD! who hast gathered unto thyself a Church upon earth and dost guide and sanctify it by the Holy Spirit, receive our supplications for all its wants, and for persons of every condition therein, that it may be to thee a Church glorious and without spot, and that every member of the same in his vocation and ministry, may serve thee faithfully. Hear us, in the name and for the sake of the head of that Holy Church, thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Church Universal.

O LORD! we beseech thee to keep thy household, the Church Universal, in continual godliness, that through thy protection, it may be free from all adversities, and serving thee faithfully in good works, may glorify thy holy name. Hear, we entreat thee, the devout supplications of thy Church: and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Blessing on the Services of the Day.

GRANT we beseech thee, Almighty God! that the words which we have this day heard, may through thy grace be so grafted in our hearts, that they may bring forth the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of thy name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Blessing on the Services of the Day.

ALMIGHTY God! who hast graciously promised to hear the supplications of all who ask in thy Son's name, we beseech thee to accept the service and the prayers now offered unto thee.

May those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, be effectually obtained for the relief of our necessities and to the advancement of thy glory, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Divine Blessing on the Instructions of the Day.

O ALMIGHTY and Merciful God! the source of all good, and the author of every perfect gift, we bless thee that we have been enabled at this time to meditate on the wholesome truths, which thou hast revealed to us in thy word. Give us grace, we beseech thee, to profit by the instructions we have heard, and by the exhortations which have been addressed to us. So graft them in our hearts, that being more and more strengthened in faith, we may serve thee with a pure conscience during the rest of our lives. Increase, O Lord! in our children, in our young people, and in all the members of this Church, a knowledge of thee, and the fear of thy name. Grant that being steadfast in obedience, and faithful even unto death, we may obtain through thy mercy, that blessed and eternal life to which we are called, through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Saviour. *Amen.*

SECTION FIFTH.

FAMILY PRAYERS.

Morning.

O ALMIGHTY God! our Father and Preserver, we thank thee for thy watchful providence over us during the past night. Grant that with a due sense of thy mercy in bringing us safely to the beginning of this day, we may employ it acceptably to thee; all our thoughts, and words, and deeds, manifesting our willing obedience to thy commandment of love to thee and to our neighbors. As thou sendest forth thy sun to shine upon the earth, a light to our paths, grant that thy Holy Spirit may enlighten our understandings, and lead us into the ways of righteousness. Whatever may be our engagements, may it be our chief concern to walk in thy fear and to thy glory. May we ever look to thy blessing on our labors, as the source of all our prosperity: and may all our pursuits be acceptable unto thee. Grant also Merciful Father, that while we labor for things temporal, we forget not things eternal. Be thou, O Almighty God! the protector of our bodies and of our souls. Strengthen us against all the temptations of our spiritual enemies: and deliver us from every danger to which we may be exposed.

And for as much as it availeth nothing to begin acceptably to thee, if we persevere not unto the end, vouchsafe, O gracious God! to receive us into thy holy keeping, not only this day but through all the days of our lives. We pray thee to continue, and to increase in us daily thy saving grace, until we shall enter into thy kingdom of eternal bliss and glory, through our Redeemer, Jesus Christ, the only Sun of righteousness to our Souls, to enlighten them by day and by night forever. And to the end that we may obtain these favors at thy hand, vouchsafe to pardon all our past transgressions, according as thou hast

promised unto all who pray to thee, in spirit and in truth. Hear us, O our God! our Father, and our Saviour, through our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray to thee, as he has taught us, saying:

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those, who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Evening.

O LORD! our God and our Father! we humble ourselves again before thee, to return thee our thanks for the mercies and benefits of the past day. We bless thee also for our reason and all other endowments and faculties of soul and body; for our health and friends, for food and raiment, and all the other comforts and conveniences of life. But above all we bless thee that thou hast vouchsafed to us a knowledge of thyself, and hast ordained us to be born in thy Church. Suffer us not to be ungrateful for such precious favors. Grant that we may meditate thereon by day and by night, and that our gratitude may be manifest throughout our lives. Pardon all our sins, and more especially those committed this day. May the sacrifice of our blessed Redeemer be an atonement for our iniquities. Grant that for his sake, and by the aid of the Holy Spirit, thy fear may be deeply impressed on our hearts. Guard us, we beseech thee, this night; for we confess, O God! that without thine aid, we cannot subsist for a single moment. May nothing disturb the tranquillity of our thoughts. May our strength both of mind and of body, so far as the same may have been impaired by the employments of the day, be renewed by refreshing sleep! Grant that as we lie down in our beds, we may think of that day when we shall be laid in the ground, and shall appear before thee. Give us time to prepare for

death, that it come not unawares; and may we always live, as knowing we have to die. Grant that thy Church may never be deprived of thy light. Bless the rulers of our country, and all pastors and teachers. Watch over our families and relatives, our friends and neighbors: and shed abroad in our hearts the light of Christian love. May we rest this night in peace, with the assurance of thy forgiveness. Grant that we may rise again on the morrow, full of the hope of possessing the glory which thou hast purchased for us, by the blood of thy dear Son, in whose name we pray to thee, as we have been taught and commanded by him, saying:

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

PART IV.

SECTION FIRST.

THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

DO you offer this child to God and to his Holy Church, requiring that *he* should be baptized?

Answer—Yes.

The Apostle St. Paul teacheth us, that we should pray for all mankind, as good and acceptable in the sight of God, who will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. He therefore sent his Son for our redemption. Since then we should pray for each other, let us pray for this child, humbly and with all our hearts.

ALMIGHTY God! Eternal Father! who hast promised us through thy goodness, to be our God, and the God of our children, as thou wert the God of Abraham and of his children, we pray thee to receive this child into the covenant of thy mercy, and to make *him* a partaker of thy grace, to the end that when *he* shall have come to the age of discretion, *he* may know thee as *his* God, that *he* may adore and serve thee only, and may live and die in thee: so that the baptism, through which we receive *him* into thy Holy Church, may not have been adminis-

tered to *him* in vain, but that *he* may be truly baptized into the death of thy Son, and into newness of life acceptable to thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR ye the Gospel which teaches us how children should be presented unto our Lord. Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray for them, and his disciples rebuked them; but Jesus said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven; and having laid his hands on them he blessed them.

Since, then, our Lord received and blessed as you have just heard, the children who were brought unto him, we receive into his Church this child through Baptism, and pray unto God to give *him* his blessing.

You, who offer this child to be baptized, should consider that God must be served in spirit and in truth. You then promise here, before God and this holy assembly, that you will be careful, you the *father and mother* first and principally, and you also the sponsors, as far as by your duty you are bound, and as necessity may require, to instruct this child in the doctrine of our Lord, and in the Christian faith, which we confess in the Apostle's creed. You will teach *him* to worship the only true God, to call upon him in all *his* necessities, to ascribe glory to him for all good, and to acknowledge that all *his* righteousness is in Christ Jesus, and all *his* strength in the sanctification of the Holy Spirit. You will teach *him* to deny *himself*, to take up his cross and to keep the commandments of God, the substance of which is, that we should love God with all our hearts, and our neighbor as ourselves. Finally, you will take care to exhort this child, and to reprove *him*, when it shall be necessary, so that *he* may be brought up in the fear of the Lord, and according to his holy doctrine, and that *his* whole life may be employed to the glory of God, and to the edification of his neighbor.

Is not this what you promise?

Answer—Yes.

May the Lord give you grace faithfully to perform this promise.

Then shall the Minister Baptize the Child, naming him, and saying:

N. N. I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Confirmation.

The Persons who are to confirm their Baptismal Vows, make the following promise in presence of the Church:

WE ratify and confirm our Baptismal Vow. We renounce Satan and his works, the world and its pomp, the flesh and its sinful desires. We promise to live and to die in the Christian faith, and to keep the commandments of God, all the days of our lives.

After this has been recited by one of them, they are asked:

Is this what you all promise before God and his Church?
Answer—Yes.

The Minister says:

May God give you grace to perform this promise.

The Minister thus continues:

AFTER this promise, and in the hope that you may religiously fulfill it, I receive you into the number of the faithful, to be partakers of the Holy Sacrament of the Supper. And I call upon you Christians, who are here present, to witness the promise which these young people have made, and I exhort you to look upon them hereafter, as your brethren, partakers with you of the same grace, and to offer up your prayers unto God, in their behalf.

An Exhortation, at the discretion of the Minister, is then addressed to the Catechumens, and when this is finished they kneel, and the Minister offers the following Prayer:

ALMIGHTY God! we bless thee that thou hast been pleased to call us to a knowledge of thyself, and especially that having given grace unto these persons to be introduced into thy Church through baptism, thou hast also graciously permitted

them to arrive at years of discretion, and to ratify and confirm this day, their Baptismal Vow. We pray, that as they have now thus solemnly dedicated themselves to thee, and are to be admitted to the communion of the Sacrament of the death of thy Son, thou wouldst ratify in Heaven, what we do in thy name, and in thy Church on Earth. Receive them, O Lord! bless them, and let thy grace be with them, now and forever. *Amen.*

O GRACIOUS God! Father of Mercy! grant that they may persevere constantly in the holy profession, upon which they have just entered, so that they may not only be Christians by birth and baptism, but may henceforth be such by knowledge and through choice. Since they have renounced Satan and his works, the world and its pomp, the flesh and its sinful desires, let the prince of darkness have no power over them, and grant that from their youth, their faith may triumph over the world, the flesh, and its wicked propensities. Holy Father! keep them in thy faith, and preserve them from evil. Sanctify them by thy truth: thy word is truth. Guard them from the corruptions of the world. Suffer not the instructions which they have received and the promises which they have just made, to be ever blotted from their memory. Suffer not these good affections, which thou hast given them, to be lost by their intercourse with the world; but may they rather be multiplied in them, so that these young plants may grow and be abundantly fruitful in knowledge, in faith, in holiness and in comfort, all the days of their lives. May they be better than their fathers, and after having ministered in this world to the designs of thy providence, may they obtain from thy goodness eternal salvation. *Amen.*

We pray unto thee, O Lord! for all the young people of this Church. Bless the instructions which are given to them, preserve them from corruption, and sanctify them, so that our children may be one day ornaments in thy house, and heirs of thy kingdom.

Give grace to us all, the young and the old, the high and the low, to consider well what it is to be Christians, and to reflect

continually what a vow, what promises, what a solemn profession we have made at our baptism, as well as in the communion of the Holy Sacrament. *Amen.*

Almighty God! hear us favorably, hear the prayers of these young people, who are kneeling before thee, and of us who call upon thee, who worship thee, who glorify thee, and who ask thy grace, through Jesus Christ, who hath commanded us thus to pray:

OUR Father! who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

MAY the blessing of the Lord God Almighty, of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, be and remain forever with you all. *Amen.*

SECTION SECOND.

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY SUPPER.

IN the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

O ETERNAL and Almighty God! whom all creatures praise and glorify as their Creator and Sovereign Lord, we beseech thee, as we are now assembled to partake of the Holy Supper which thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, commanded us to celebrate in remembrance of his death, that thou wouldst give us grace to perform this sacred duty, in a manner acceptable unto thee, through the same Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

HEAR, my brethren, the institution of the Holy Supper, as it is related by St. Paul, in the First Epistle to the Corinthians. I have received of the Lord, that which also I declared unto you, that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it and said: Take, eat, this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also, he took the cup; when he had supped, saying: This cup is the New Testament in my blood; this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in rememberance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death, till he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread and drink this cup of the Lord unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and of the blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh condemnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

You have just heard in what manner Jesus Christ instituted the Holy Supper, and that it should be celebrated with faith

and with reverence, even unto the end of the world, by all the faithful. Hence we learn, that none but true Christians should be admitted thereto. Wherefore, according to the rule, which we have in Scripture, and by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare that all such as are not of the number of the faithful, are unworthy to be partakers thereof. To wit: the impious, unbelievers, the profane, blasphemers, those who live in strife and in hatred; impure, sensual and carnal men, drunkards, the unjust, those who withhold the goods of others, the covetous, the proud, evil speakers, and generally all those in whom reigneth the love of the world and its evil desires, declaring unto all of them, that whilst they amend not, the anger of God resteth upon them, wherefore they ought not to come to this holy table, lest they profane this Holy Sacrament, which Jesus Christ offers only to his disciples, and to the truly faithful. As for you, Christians, who intend to come to this holy communion, you ought to consider well the importance of what you are about to do, lest you eat of this bread and drink of this cup unworthily. Judge ye, therefore, yourselves, and ye shall not be judged of the Lord; and in all things wherein ye know that ye have offended him, whether in word or in deed, in thought or in will; confess the same unto him with a humble reliance upon his mercy, and a true desire to live henceforth a righteous and godly life. Be ye also filled with sincere love towards your neighbor; and forgive ye one another, even as ye desire from God the forgiveness of your sins. If ye are thus minded, and if your consciences thus bear witness for you, before God who knoweth your hearts, ye may come to this holy table, and ye ought not to doubt, that the Lord Jesus will there make you partakers of all the fruits of his passion and death. But above all things, ye must give at this time your humble and hearty thanks to God, for the redemption of the world, through Jesus Christ his Son, who did humble himself, even to the death of the Cross, for us miserable sinners, that he might make us children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life; and to the end that we should always remember the exceeding great love of our dear Saviour, he instituted this Holy Sacrament, to be unto us a pledge of his love, and a perpetual memorial of

his death, to our great and endless comfort. To this merciful Redeemer, therefore, as well as to the Father and the Holy Spirit, let us now and always offer (as we are most bounden) our benedictions and our praises.

Therefore, let us all lift up our hearts, and give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

It is meet and right, and our profitable duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Everlasting God!

At the Nativity.

THROUGH Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord, who was born, as at this time, for us, and who by the operation of the Holy Spirit, was made very man of the substance of the blessed Virgin, his mother, and without any spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we magnify thy glorious name, ever more praising thee and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God, most high!

At the Resurrection.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification: we praise thee for the glorious resurrection of our Saviour; for he is the true Lamb, who was offered up, and who taketh away the sins of the world, who by his death hath destroyed death, and who by his resurrection, hath given us eternal life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God, most high!

At Pentecost.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, who according to his promise, sent down from Heaven, as at this time, the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, to lead them into all truth, and to bestow upon them the gift of divers tongues, to the end that

they might preach the gospel unto all nations, by which Spirit we have been brought out of darkness into light, and from error unto truth, and to a knowledge of thee, O our God! and of Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God, most high!

Or this:

THROUGH our Lord Jesus Christ, who after his resurrection, ascended above all the Heavens, was raised upon the throne of thy glory, and sat upon thy right hand, whence he shed forth the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, and upon the children of thy adoption. For this all the earth rejoiceth, and for this we offer unto thee our praises, saying with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God, most high!

For the Holy Days of September.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, because thou didst deliver him up to die, as a ransom for our sins, and because of the blessed hope, that he will return from Heaven, at the day of his glorious appearing: and we thank thee because he instituted the Holy Supper, and commanded us to eat of this bread and to drink of this cup, and thus to show his death till he come. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God, most high!

AND since, O Lord! Jesus Christ thy Son did offer up himself as a sacrifice on the cross, to redeem mankind, we beseech thee in consideration of this sacrifice, for the holy and blessed commemoration of which, we are met together, that thou wouldst receive the supplications which we offer unto thy

Divine Majesty, for the peace of the whole world, and for the salvation of all people. We pray thee, to bless the Church Universal, and to inspire all Christians with the spirit of truth, unity and peace, that they may follow with one consent the truth of thy word, and live in harmony and innocency, becoming the members of thy sacred body.

Vouchsafe, O God! who art the source of all power, to bless and defend all Christian Rulers and Magistrates. Bless especially the President of these United States, and all others in authority over us. So replenish them with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that they may perform their duties with integrity, that religion may flourish, and piety may be advanced among us. Shed thy grace, O Sovereign Shepherd of our souls! upon all the Ministers of thy Church, that they may set forth the truth and power of thy Holy Word, both by their life and doctrine: that they may faithfully administer thy Holy Sacraments, and diligently watch over the flocks which are committed to their charge. We beseech thee of thy goodness, to succor all those, who during this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Finally, O Lord! we pray thee for all this congregation here present, for all thy servants, whose faith and devotion are known unto thee, who desire to be partakers at thy table; who offer up their vows to thee, O thou living and true God! who show forth the death of their Saviour and wait for his last and glorious coming, at which he will judge the quick and the dead, and will render unto every man according to his works. Vouchsafe graciously to receive our humble petitions, to the end that through the communion in the death of thy Son, and through the efficacy of the precious blood, which he shed upon the Cross, we may be delivered in that day from the wrath to come, and may be found worthy to be received with all thine elect, into the glory of thy kingdom. Hear us, O God, our Father! in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Intercessor, by whose command we offer unto thee the holy prayer which he taught us:

OUR Father! who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as

we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God! Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, before whom we now come to partake of the Sacrament of the death of thy Son, graciously hear the confession of our sins. We acknowledge, O Lord! our unworthiness; we deplore the enormity and number of the sins which we have committed against thee; and we do not presume to come to thy Holy Sacrament, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy great compassion. Have mercy upon us, O merciful Father! have mercy upon us. Pardon us for the love of Jesus Christ; and give us grace this day so to receive these sacred mysteries of bread and wine, that being united to thy holy Son, through faith, we may live in him and he in us. Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, pardoneth all such as truly repent and turn unto him. *Amen.*

YE who truly repent of your sins, and with a firm confidence rely on the mercy of God, who also are in sincere charity with all your neighbors, and are resolved to conform your lives more and more to the commandments of God, draw near and partake of the Holy Communion of the body and blood of our Lord. *Amen.*

The Consecration at the Table.

O ALMIGHTY God and Heavenly Father! who through thy great mercy didst deliver up thy Son to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption, who offered up his own body as a sacrifice for the sins of the whole world, and commanded that a perpetual memorial of his death should be kept in his Church, until his coming at the last day. Accept our prayers and our praises, O merciful God! which we offer unto thee through Jesus Christ; who, in the night, when he was betrayed, took bread,* and when he had given thanks to thee,

* Here the Pastor takes the bread in his hands.

O Eternal Father! brake it and said: Take, eat, this is my body, which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of me.* Likewise after supper he took the cup† and gave thanks, and presented it to them, saying: Drink ye all of this, for this is my blood, the blood of the New Testament, which is shed for many, for the remission of sins; do this as oft as ye shall drink of it, in remembrance of me.‡

The People then come to the communion. In giving the bread the Pastor says:

Remember that Jesus Christ, thy Saviour, died for thee, and be thankful.

In giving the cup:

Remember that Jesus Christ, thy Saviour, shed his blood for thee, and be thankful.

Then Sing a Hymn or Canticle.

HEAVENLY Father! we bless thee that thou hast been pleased so to favor us miserable sinners, as to receive us at the communion of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We bless thee, for having delivered him up to death for us, and for having given him unto us as the bread of eternal life. Give us grace never to forget these great benefits, but rather, having them graven upon the table of our hearts, to grow and advance constantly in faith, that this faith may be fruitful in every good work, and that our lives may thus be devoted to the advancement of thy glory, and to the edification of our neighbor; through the same Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, God blessed for ever and ever. *Amen.*

GLORY be to God on high, on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we magnify thee, we give thanks unto thee for all thy benefits, and for thy great glory, O Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty Father!

O Lord Jesus Christ! only Son of God, Lamb of God, who

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* Here the Pastor partakes of the bread and gives bread to the Ministers who are at the table with him.

† Here he takes the cup.

‡ Here he drinks of the cup, and gives it to the other Ministers.

taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayers.

Thou, that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only, O Jesus Christ! with the Holy Spirit, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Exhortation to those who have Communed.

I NOW exhort and beseech you, my beloved brethren, by the mercies of God, and by the love of the Lord Jesus, to consider well what we have just done, in the holy rite which we have celebrated. We have solemnly acknowledged by this act of thanksgiving, and by this public profession of our faith, that we have been ransomed from our sins and from eternal condemnation, by the death of Jesus Christ. We have testified that we are all brethren and members of one body, and that we have a brotherly and sincere love towards each other. We have also promised to glorify God in our minds and bodies, by a life of holiness worthy of our vocation.

May God give us grace to remember well these promises, to perform them religiously, and to have the death of our beloved Redeemer so deeply graven in our hearts, that we may die daily, more and more unto sin, and that we may walk in the ways of holiness all our lives, to the glory of God and to our mutual edification. *Amen.*

Benedictions.

THE Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. *Amen.*

MAY the blessing of God our Father, the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be given and multiplied upon you, through the communion of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

MY Brethren! The end of all things is at hand. Be ye therefore sober-minded, watch, and pray.

The Lord be with you. Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and protect you. *Amen.*

THE peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

[END OF THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY SUPPER.]

SECTION THIRD.

SERVICE FOR OCCASIONS OF CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

O LORD our God and our Father! since we are come together in this holy place for the further sanctification of this Lord's day, and especially for the instruction of the young people of this Church in the chief doctrines of the Christian religion: we give thanks to thee for having enlightened us by the knowledge of thy Gospel, and for having made known unto us, through Jesus Christ thy Son, the way that leadeth to eternal life.

We pray thee also to bless these pious exercises, and to give to these children such docility, as may enable them to profit by our instructions. Thou hast caused them to be born into thy Church; they have been dedicated to thee in baptism; thou art their Father and their God. O Lord! for the love of thy Son, who blessed the children that were brought unto him, and prayed for them, vouchsafe to bestow thy blessing on those whom we instruct, and to fill them betimes, with love and fear of thee. May the precepts of thy word, not only enlighten their minds, but sanctify their hearts, and become the rule of their conduct, to the end, that now in the days of their youth, they may walk in the paths of piety, and thus attain to the glory of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Give thy grace to fathers and mothers, to bring up their children under thy guidance. Bless all the families of this Church. Sanctify the young people. Grant the knowledge and the fear of thee to persons of every age and condition; so that all of us may increase in piety, as we advance in years. Make us all to be as children in innocence and humility; grant

that the knowledge which thou hast given us, and the glory which we look for may lead us to love thee, and to live in those good works which thou hast ordained that we should walk in. Favorably hear us, O Almighty God! for the love of Jesus Christ, who hath taught us thus to pray, saying:

OUR Father! who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kindom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Or this:

O LORD! as we are now about to instruct the youth of this Church, we implore thee to shed thy blessing on our labors, and to give unto these children the docility requisite to profit thereby. Since they have been consecrated to thee from their infancy; and thou art their Father and their God, vouchsafe to take them under thy protection, to sanctify them by thy Spirit, and to fill them with the love and the fear of thee, to the end that they may hereafter be among the truly faithful in thy Church, and among the ever blessed in thy kingdom, through the mercy and love of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father! who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Children then recite whatever is appointed—after which the blessing is pronounced:

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. *Amen.*

SECTION FOURTH.

THE LITURGY OF MARRIAGE.

MAY our trust be in the name of the Lord, who made Heaven and Earth. *Amen.*

GOD our Father, having created Heaven and Earth, and all that in them is, made man in his own image, and gave him dominion over the beasts of the earth, over the fish of the sea, over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. And after he had created man, God said: It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help, meet for him. And he made woman, bone of his bone, and flesh of his flesh; signifying thereby that they two were one. Wherefore, this holy covenant of matrimony which God hath ordained, is of such authority, that a man and his wife cannot separate, being one body. For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and cleave unto his wife; and a wife is bound to obey her husband in all purity, being subject unto him; and since, as the Scriptures teach, our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, they ought to be preserved pure and spotless; for God will punish all who profane the temple of God.

M. and N., are you willing to enter into the holy state of matrimony, which God has instituted, to live together therein, according to his commandments? And do you desire to make known here, before God and this company, (*or congregation*), this your purpose?

Answer—Yes.

May our Lord God confirm and bless your purpose.

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God! the author of every good and perfect gift, we thank thee that thou hast ordained the holy institution of marriage, and we beseech thee to send thy blessing

upon these thy servants, who are now about to form the most solemn and tender of earthly connections. Give them a just sense of thy presence, and of the obligation of the covenant they are about to make: to the end that this holy service may have a happy influence upon their affections and conduct through life, to the glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Minister then says to the Man:

M. Do you acknowledge here before God and this company, (*or congregation*), that you have agreed to take, and that you now take N. for your wife? Do you promise to love, honor, and comfort her, to protect, maintain and cherish her, in health and in sickness, in joy and in sorrow, in prosperity and in adversity; to lead a holy life with her, being faithful unto her in all things, as is the duty of a good husband, according to the word of God?

Answer—Yes.

The Minister then says to the Woman:

N. Do you also acknowledge here before God and this company, (*or congregation*), that you have agreed to take, and that you now take M. for your husband? Do you promise to love, honor, and comfort him, to obey and cherish him in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, in prosperity and in adversity; to lead a holy life with him, being faithful unto him in all things, as is the duty of a good wife, according to the word of God?

Answer—Yes.

To be used or not at the discretion of the parties.

IN testimony that you, M. and N., do advisedly and solemnly ratify all that hath been declared and promised by you, do thou M. acknowledge and endow this woman as thy wife, by delivering unto her a ring, in token of thy faith; and do thou N. in like manner receive the same, as a pledge of his faith, and as a witness of thy vows.

Then the Man delivers to the Woman a ring, placing it upon the fourth finger of her left hand.

Then shall the Minister join their right hands together and say:

You are now man and wife. Those whom God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

MAY the Father of all mercy, who hath called you to this holy estate, vouchsafe, through the love of his Son, to give you his Holy Spirit, that you may serve him and honor him with one accord; and since God hath united you in the sacred bond of marriage, may he give you grace to live faithfully together, in purity, in love, and in concord.

Let us pray to God our Father, for his blessing upon these his servants.

O ALMIGHTY, all-merciful, and all-wise God! we pray thee in behalf of these persons who have entered into the holy estate of marriage, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to them thy Holy Spirit. Send down thy blessing upon these thy servants, whom we bless in thy name. May they surely observe, and faithfully perform the vows and covenant between them made, and mutually edifying each other, live together in purity, concord, and piety. Give them grace to reverence and serve thee, and contribute to the advancement of thy glory, to the honor of the gospel, and the welfare of thy Church. Favorably hear us, O Father of Mercy! in the name and for the sake of thy dear Son. *Amen.*

GOD the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and guide you. May you be filled with all spiritual benediction, and so live together in this life, that in the world to come, you may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

SECTION FIFTH.

SERVICE FOR THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

THE MINISTER MAY READ THE WHOLE OR SUCH PART OF THIS SERVICE AS HE MAY THINK FIT.

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.—*St. John*, xi.; 25, 26.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold and not another.—*Job*, xix.; 25, 26, 27.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.—1 *Tim.*, vi.; 7.—*Job*, i.; 21.

From Psalm Thirty-Nine.

LORD! let me know mine end, and the number of my days; that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold thou hast made my days, as it were, a span long; and mine age is even as nothing in respect to thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain; he heapeth up riches and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord! what is my hope? Truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all my offences; and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth, fretting a garment; Every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling. Hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner; as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength, before I go hence, and be no more seen.

From Psalm Ninety.

LORD! thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction; again thou sayest: Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years, in thy sight, are but as yesterday; seeing that is past, as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as asleep: and fade away suddenly, like the grass.

In the morning, it is green, and groweth up; but in the evening, it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away, in thy displeasure; and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee; and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry, all our days are gone: We bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength then but labor and sorrow: so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*

First Corinthians. xv.; 20.

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the first fruits; afterwards they that are Christ's, at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority, and power. For he must reign until he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy, that shall be destroyed, is death: for he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him, that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead? And why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die. Be not deceived: Evil

communications corrupt good manners. Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame. But some men will say, how are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool! that which thou sowest, is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body, that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain. But God giveth it a body, as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: But the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; For one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption; it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written: The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit, that was not first, which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterwards, that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy; The second man is the Lord from Heaven. As is the earthy, such are they that are earthy; and as is the heavenly, such are they also, that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I show you a mystery. We shall not all sleep; but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: For the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incor-

ruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality; then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord; forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

MAN, that is born of woman, hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succor, but of thee, O Lord! who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy! O Lord most mighty! O holy and most merciful Saviour! deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord! the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy! O God most mighty! O holy and merciful Saviour! thou most worthy judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from thee.

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God, in his wise Providence, to take out of this world the soul of our deceased *brother*, we therefore commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; looking for the general resurrection in the last day, and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ; at whose second coming in glorious majesty to judge the world, the earth and the sea shall give up their dead; and the corruptible bodies of those who sleep in him, shall be changed, and made like

unto his own glorious body; according to the mighty working whereby he is able to subdue all things unto himself.

I HEARD a voice from Heaven, saying unto me: Write, From henceforth, blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors. *Rev.* xiv.; 13.

OUR Father! who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God! with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord; and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in felicity; we give thee hearty thanks for the good example of all those thy servants, who having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God! the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth, shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth and believeth in him shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us by his holy Apostle St. Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for those who sleep in him: We humbly beseech thee, O Father! to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that when we shall depart out of this world, we may rest in him; and that in the general resurrection at the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight; and receive the blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then

pronounce on all who love and fear thee, saying: Come ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world: Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father! through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

PART V.

CANTICLES FOR THE ORDINARY SERVICE.

FIRST CANTICLE.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all Gods.

O! come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture.

Manifold, O God! are thy wondrous and bounteous works: They are more than can be numbered.

In thee we live and move and have our being. The testimonies of thy loving kindness are ever about us.

Thou doest good unto us, and givest us rain from Heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with strength and gladness.

Thou hast sent thine only Son into the world to be a propitiation for our sins.

Thou hast honored us with a holy calling; thou hast adopted us; thou hast offered us the enjoyment of thy glory.

For all these things we bless thee, and we magnify continually

thy glorious name; saying with the angels and all the heavenly host:

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God of hosts! Heaven and Earth are full of thy glory, O God! most high.

Let our mouths show forth thy praise for ever.

Let all that hath breath, bless thee for ever and ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*

SECOND CANTICLE.

O YE righteous! sing unto the Lord with joy; for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

Praise the Lord, sing unto him a new song; for all his works are done in truth.

All the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord: Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

O Lord! in the abundance of thy mercy, will I enter into thy house, and bow down with reverence in thy holy temple.

I will wash my hands in innocency; so will I compass thine altar, O Lord!

And with the voice of thanksgiving tell of thy wondrous works.

My God! I love the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honor dwelleth.

Make us to hear of thy goodness early in the morning, for our hope is in thee.

Make us to know the paths wherein we should walk; for we have lifted up our hearts unto thee.

Teach us to do thy will, for thou art our God.

May thy good spirit lead us into the right way.

Fill us with thy goodness, that we may pass our days in gladness.

May the work of thy grace be manifested in us; and we shall bless thy holy name.

Let us bless the Lord who crowneth us day by day with his benefits.

Let us render thanks to the Father, who hath prepared us to partake of the inheritance of the saints in light;

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath brought us into the kingdom of his well beloved Son.

Glory be, &c.

THIRD CANTICLE.

PRAISE ye the Lord, call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people.

Sing unto him; sing psalms unto him; tell ye of all his wondrous works.

Rejoice ye in his holy name; let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Lord.

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his face evermore; remember his marvellous works.

Great is our Lord and great is his power: His wisdom is infinite.

Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving, answering one unto another; sing psalms unto our God.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise thy God, O Zion!

He strengtheneth the bars of thy gates, and blesseth thy children within thee.

It is he who maketh peace in thy borders.

It is he who showeth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and ordinances unto Israel:

He hath not dealt so with any nation.

It is he, who so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish but have everlasting life.

What shall we render unto the Lord for all his benefits towards us.

We will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.

We will pay our vows unto him now, in the presence of his people; in the courts of his house. Praise ye the Lord.

Glory be, &c.

FOURTH CANTICLE.

WE will extol thee, O God, our King! and we will bless thy name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise thy works unto another.

We will speak of the glory of thy majesty.

We will show forth the memorial of thine abundant kindness; we will declare thy righteousness with songs of triumph.

The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great mercy.

The Lord is good to all; his tender mercies are over all his works.

All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord! and thy saints shall bless thee;

They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

The Lord upholdeth all those who fall; and raiseth up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him; unto all that call upon him in truth.

He fulfilleth the desire of those who fear him; he heareth their cry and saveth them.

The Lord preserveth all those who love him; but all the wicked will he destroy.

Our mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord, and we will bless his holy name for ever and ever.

Glory be, &c.

FIFTH CANTICLE.

O LORD! God of our Fathers, thou art blessed, thou art worthy to be praised and exalted above all, for ever and ever.

Blessed is the holy name of thy majesty. Thou art blessed in thy holy temple.

Thou art blessed in the glorious throne of thy kingdom; thou art celebrated and glorified eternally.

O! all ye works of the Lord, praise him and exalt him above all, for ever.

Ye Heavens praise him: Ye Angels of the Lord praise him:

O! all ye creatures of the Heavens, and of the Earth, and of the Seas, praise him and exalt him above all, for ever.

Ye children of men praise him. Let Israel bless the Lord, praise him and exalt him above all, for ever.

Ye Priests and Ministers of the Lord; ye spirits and souls of the righteous; ye Saints, humble of heart, bless the Lord; praise him and exalt him above all power.

O! all ye servants of the Lord, bless the Lord, the God of Gods; for he is good and his mercy endureth for ever.

Thou art blessed, Lord God of our Fathers, and blessed is the name of thy glory in all thy churches, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thou art worthy to be praised for ever and ever. Let us all bless the Lord our God, let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Glory be, &c.

SIXTH CANTICLE.

O GOD! we praise thee with our whole heart; we sing psalms unto thee.

We humble ourselves before thee in thy holy temple.

We praise thy name for thy loving kindness and thy truth.

Lord! we adore thine infinite majesty, we bless thee for thy great mercy, and we rejoice in thy salvation.

Marvellous indeed is thy loving kindness unto men.

Thou hast sent thy Son, to manifest the truth of the promises made unto the Fathers;

To the end that the Gentiles might praise thee for thy mercy.

Wherefore, we will praise thee among the nations, and sing unto thy name.

Rejoice, O ye Gentiles! with his people.

O! praise the Lord, all ye nations, and celebrate him all ye people;

Ye who in time past, were not his people, but are now the people of God;

Ye, who in time past had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

O! the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

Who hath known the mind of the Lord, and who hath been his counselor?

For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things, to whom be glory for ever.

Glory be, &c.

SEVENTH CANTICLE.

O LET us be joyful in the Lord our God! Let us serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Know ye that the Lord is God; it is he who hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him and bless his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

O God! we adore thee as our God, as our Creator, and as the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We humble ourselves in thy presence, and acknowledge thine infinite majesty.

The angels adore thee in Heaven, and all the heavenly host bow down before thee.

Receive the homage which we offer to thee upon earth, we who are poor mortals, miserable sinners, thy creatures by nature, and thy children by grace.

Glory be, &c.

EIGHTH CANTICLE.

COME and let us present ourselves before the Lord: let us adore him in his temple; let us humble ourselves in his sanctuary.

The Lord is here! How venerable, how sacred is this place! this is the house of God; this is the gate of Heaven.

O Lord! God of our Fathers, thou art blessed for ever. To thee belong greatness, power, glory, eternity, majesty.

All that is in Heaven and in Earth is thine: the kingdom is thine.

Thou art a Prince above all things; thou art Sovereign over all. Riches and honor, power and might, are in thy hand.

Now, therefore, O our God! we magnify thee and praise thy glorious name.

Who are we, and who are this people, that we are enabled freely to offer unto thee this service, and this praise?

We are strangers before thee, and our days pass away as a shadow.

Although we are but dust and ashes, behold we take upon ourselves to speak unto thee.

Let the words of our mouths, be acceptable unto thee, O Lord!

Let thy mercy be upon us, O God! as our trust is in thee.

Glory be, &c.

NINTH CANTICLE.

HOW amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts.

My soul desireth, yea even longeth to enter into the courts of the Lord. My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.

One day in thy courts is better than a thousand elsewhere: I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a sun and a shield: no good thing doth he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

O Lord of Hosts! blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

O God! I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings.

For thou, O God! hast heard my vows; thou hast given me the heritage of those who fear thy name.

I am continually with thee, thou hast holden me by my right hand.

Thou wilt guide me with thy counsel, and afterwards receive me to glory.

Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire besides thee.

They that forsake thee shall perish: thou wilt destroy all them that corrupt themselves before thee.

But it is good for me to draw near unto God; and to put my trust in the Lord God.

Glory be, &c.

TENTH CANTICLE.

O GOD! thou art my God, early do I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth after thee in a dry and barren land.

I desire to see thy power and thy glory in thy sanctuary.

For thy loving kindness is better than life: therefore will I bless thee whilst I live, and lift up my hands in thy holy name.

Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts.

We shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

We will enter into thy temple with the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and will pay our vows unto the Lord.

Blessed be the Lord who crowneth us every day with his goodness.

Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again, unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead;

To an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in Heaven for us.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.

And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Blessed be the Lord, from one generation to another: and let all the people say, Amen.

Glory be, &c.

ELEVENTH CANTICLE.

O YE servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord, from this time forth and for ever more.

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.

The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the Heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high: and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in Heaven and Earth.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and of great goodness.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

God who is rich in mercy, for his great love, wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ;

And hath raised us up together, and made us to sit in heavenly places, in Christ Jesus.

May God grant that the eyes of our understanding being

enlightened, we may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.

Unto this great God and Father, who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Unto him be glory in the Church, by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end.

Glory be, &c.

TWELFTH CANTICLE.

I WILL sing of the mercies of the Lord. With my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

O Lord God of Hosts! who is like unto thee? Thou hast a mighty arm; strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

Justice and judgment are the foundation of thy throne: mercy and truth go before thy face.

Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are thy ways thou King of Saints!

Who would not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? For thou only art holy.

All nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

Praise his name, which is great, and greatly to be feared, for it is holy.

Praise the power of the King, who loveth righteousness.

Exalt the Lord our God: and worship at his footstool, for he is holy.

Praise him in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart unto the Lord.

Give thanks always for all things, unto our God and Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTEENTH CANTICLE.

I WILL bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul shall glory in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof and be glad.

O! magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is! Blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Thy mercy, O Lord! reacheth unto the Heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.

Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are like the great deep! O Lord! thou preservest man and beast.

How excellent is thy loving kindness, O God! Therefore, the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house, and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasure.

For with thee is the fountain of life: and in thy light shall we see light.

O! continue thy loving kindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness unto the upright in heart.

We give thee thanks, O Lord! that thou hast from the beginning chosen us to salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit, and belief of the truth:

Whereunto thou hast called us by the gospel to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now unto him that is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless, before the presence of his glory, with exceeding joy:

To the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever.

Glory be, &c.

FOURTEENTH CANTICLE.

O LORD! let our prayer be set forth in thy sight, as incense; and the lifting up of our hands be as the evening sacrifice.

Bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord; ye who worship in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord.

Praise ye the Lord, sing praises unto our God; for it is a pleasant thing to be thankful.

Our Lord is above all: whatever he pleaseth, that doeth he in Heaven and in Earth, in the sea, and in all deep places.

Bless the Lord, O house of Israel! Bless the Lord, O house of Aaron! Bless the Lord, O house of Levi! Ye that fear the Lord, bless the Lord.

God having raised up his Son Jesus sent him to bless us, in turning away every one of us from his iniquities.

Thanks be unto God, for his unspeakable gift.

We give thanks to thee, O God! who art the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for the hope which is laid up for us in Heaven.

Glory be, &c.

FIFTEENTH CANTICLE.

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High!

To show forth thy loving kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.

O Lord! thou hast made us glad through thy works, and we will rejoice in the operations of thy hands.

O Lord! how glorious are thy works! Thy thoughts are very deep.

O Lord our God! thou art clothed with majesty and honor.

Manifold are thy works; in wisdom hast thou made them all.

The earth is full of thy riches.

The heavens declare thy glory, and the firmament showeth the work of thy hands.

The glory of the Lord will endure forever! The Lord will rejoice in his works!

Let all those who fear him bless him, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! who wast, and art, and art to come.

Thou art worthy to receive glory, and honor, and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they were created.

Thou hast created new Heavens and a new earth, in redeeming us through Jesus Christ;

And hast prepared for us a resting place, that being entered therein, we may rest from our labors, even as thou didst rest, in that day when thou hadst finished thy works.

Wherefore we bless thee, O Eternal God! Creator and Redeemer of the world, we magnify thy power and extol thy mercy.

Glory be, &c.

SIXTEENTH CANTICLE.

COME ye and bless the Lord your God, for ever and ever: And blessed, O God! be thy Glorious Name:

May thy holy name be magnified in our benedictions and praises.

Thou only art the Lord; thou hast made the Heavens and all their hosts; the earth and all that in it is; the sea and all things therein.

All these dost thou preserve, and the Hosts of Heaven bow down before thee.

Thou, Lord, in the beginning didst lay the foundation of the earth, and the Heavens are the work of thy hands:

They shall perish, but thou remainest; they all shall wax old, and shall be changed; but thou art forever the same, and thy years shall not fail.

All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord! thy saints shall bless thee.

The works of the Lord are great; sought out of all them, that have pleasure therein.

His works are full of majesty and glory; his righteousness endureth forever.

The Lord is full of compassion; his tender mercies are over all his works.

He hath remembered his covenant; he hath sent redemption unto his people; holy and reverend is his name.

Let all creatures praise the Lord, and let him be forever blessed in the congregation of the saints.

Glory be, &c.

SEVENTEENTH CANTICLE.

O COME let us worship the Lord; let us praise him and give him thanks for all his benefits.

O Lord! our God, how excellent is thy name in all the earth. Thy glory is above the Heavens.

Lord! what is man, that thou art mindful of him; and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

Thou hast created us by thy power; Thou rulest over all, and dost preserve us by thy providence.

Thy goodness unto men hath been made manifest: Thou hast saved us, not by the works of righteousness, which we may have done; but through thy mercy in Jesus Christ:

That being justified by thy grace, we may be heirs of eternal life.

Lord Jesus! thou art the only Son of the Father: thou art God over all blessed forever.

Thou art the image of the invisible God: the first born of all creatures.

By thee were all things created, that are in Heaven and Earth: Thou wast before all things, and by thee do all things subsist.

Thou gavest thyself for our sins that thou mightest deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God, our Father.

Thou art seated at the right hand of thy Father. Thou hast all power in Heaven and Earth:

And we know that thou shalt come in thy glory to judge the quick and the dead.

We place our trust in thee, O our Saviour; and offer unto thee our thanks.

Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God, his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

Glory be, &c.

EIGHTEENTH CANTICLE.

SING unto the Lord, bless his name: show forth his salvation from day to day.

For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all Gods.

The gods of the nations are idols; but the Lord made the Heavens.

Majesty and glory are before him: power and excellence are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye people; ascribe unto the Lord glory and honor.

Ascribe unto the Lord, the honor due unto his name: bring your offerings and come into his courts.

O! worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

Declare through all the earth the Lord reigneth; with righteousness will he judge the world and the people with equity.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he hath visited and redeemed his people.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.

Blessed be God, who hath chosen us, in Jesus Christ, before the foundation of the world; that we should be holy and without blame before him in love;

Having predestinated us unto adoption by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise and glory of his grace.

Glory be, &c.

NINETEENTH CANTICLE.

The Te Deum.

WE praise thee, O God! we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father, everlasting.

The angels lift up their voices; the Heavens and all the powers therein.

Cherubim and Seraphim, continually adore thee, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; Heaven and Earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of prophets, and apostles, and martyrs, celebrate thy praises.

The Holy Church Universal doth praise thee throughout all the world, and doth acknowledge thee;

The Father of an infinite majesty; also thine adorable, only Son, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the eternal Son of the Father.

It pleased thee to redeem mankind; and thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst triumphed over death, thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou wilt come to be our Judge.

We, therefore, beseech thee help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

May they be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord! save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Govern and sustain them for ever.

Day by day, we magnify thee.

And we praise thy name, ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord! to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord! have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord! our trust is in thee.

O Lord! in thee have we trusted; let us never be confounded.

Glory be, &c.

CANTICLES FOR HOLY DAYS AND FOR PARTICULAR OCCASIONS.

TWENTIETH CANTICLE.

For the Eve of the Nativity.

SING unto the Lord a new song: let his praise be declared throughout the earth and in the sea.

Let the wilderness and the cities lift up their voice; let men rejoice with songs of triumph.

Let them give glory unto the Lord: let them make known his praises among the isles.

The Lord hath comforted his people: The Lord hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations: and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Say ye to the daughter of Zion: behold thy Saviour cometh: behold, his reward is with him and his recompense before him.

Be strong, fear not, behold your God, who cometh to save you.

Unto you that fear my name, shall the Sun of righteousness arise, with healing in his rays.

The Glory of the Lord shall be revealed: and all flesh shall see it together.

Death shall be swallowed up in victory: and the Lord God will wipe away all tears from our eyes.

In that day shall it be said: Lo! this is our God: we have waited for him, and he will save us.

Lo! this is the Lord; we will rejoice in his salvation.

Sanctify yourselves, and be ye ready; to-morrow shall ye see the glory of God.

The Lord is at hand; let us prepare the way of the Lord.

Let us make his paths straight.

Let us go before him with praise: and with thanksgiving.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-FIRST CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Nativity.

BEHOLD! I bring you good tidings of great joy.

For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord!

Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will towards men.

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be on his shoulders; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

God hath remembered his covenant: he hath sent redemption unto his people.

When the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman and made subject to the law, that we might receive the adoption of children.

Israel hath been saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

Let it be said throughout the earth, the Lord reigneth; let the Heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad.

For with righteousness will he judge the world, and the people with his truth.

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord; and blessed be the Kingdom of David, our Father; Hosanna in the highest.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-SECOND CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Nativity.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel, for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a horn of salvation for us, in the house of his servant David.

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, that we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our Fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;

The oath which he sware unto our Father Abraham,

That he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him, without fear,

In holiness and righteousness, all the days of our life.

He hath given the knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us,

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death; to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-THIRD CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Nativity.

LET us bless the Lord, the God who hath created and redeemed the world; let us praise his goodness and his mercy.

What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that thou visitest him.

Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels: Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor:

And thou hast made him to have dominion over the works of thy hands.

When we were dead in our trespasses and sins, thou didst cause thy Son to be born of a woman; thou didst make him a partaker of flesh and blood, that he might be a merciful High Priest.

There is no salvation in any other; for there is none other name under Heaven, given among men, whereby we may be saved, but the name of Jesus.

He is the image of the invisible God; the first-born of all

creatures. For by him were all things created that are in Heaven and Earth.

In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath predestinated us into the adoption of children, by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-FOURTH CANTICLE.

For the Day after the Nativity.

SING unto the Lord a new song, for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and his holy arm, hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and his truth.

Show yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands; rejoice and sing praises.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is; the world and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord, for he cometh to judge the earth; with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation: That Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

The word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Lord! now lettest thou thy servants depart in peace.

For our eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people:

A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-FIFTH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Crucifixion.

CHRIST our passover, was sacrificed for us, as of this day.

He was delivered for our offences; he bare our sins in his body on the tree:

And God hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

His soul was exceedingly sorrowful, even unto death:

He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter: he humbled himself even unto the death of the cross.

He was taken away through the force of agony and of condemnation; and he was cut off out of the land of the living.

Let us sing a new song to our God, and to the Lamb, saying: Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood, out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation:

And hast made us unto our God, kings and priests.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, to receive power and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing for ever and ever.

Let every creature that is in heaven, and on the earth, give praise and honor to him that sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb.

Now is come the Kingdom of God and the power of his Christ.

If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also, freely give us all things?

Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God his Father, to him be glory and dominion, for ever and ever.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-SIXTH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Crucifixion.

LET us bless God our Father, who hath chosen us in his infinite wisdom, through the spirit of holiness, to be obedient unto Jesus Christ, and to be partakers in the fruits of his death.

Through him we have redemption, even the remission of our sins.

Lord Jesus! thou gavest thyself for us, that thou mightest deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God, our Father.

Knowing that in burnt offerings and sacrifices, God had no pleasure:

Thou saidst, Lo! I come; in the volume of the book it is written of me, to do thy will, O God!

After thou hadst offered one sacrifice for sin, thou didst sit down forever at the right hand of God.

For by this one offering thou hast perfected forever them that are sanctified.

Thy throne, O God! endureth for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

Thou hast loved righteousness; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died; yea rather that is risen again.

He died for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

We have not a high priest, who cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but we have one who was in all points tempted, yet without sin.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-SEVENTH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Resurrection.

CHRIST our passover was sacrificed for us:

Therefore, let us keep the feast, not with the leaven of wickedness and hypocrisy, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

He died unto sin once, but now he liveth unto God.

Being the Prince of Life, it was not possible that he should be holden of the bonds of death.

God hath not left his soul in the place of departed spirits; neither hath he suffered his Holy One to see corruption.

He was dead, but he liveth for ever more; and hath the keys of hell and of death.

Christ is risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that sleep.

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead: And as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive, at his coming.

Death is swallowed up in victory. O death! where is thy sting? O grave! where is thy victory?

Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-EIGHTH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Resurrection.

THIS is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation: That Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

Therefore we will sing hymns in honor of our God; and praise him above all, for ever and ever.

Thou hast not spared thine own Son.

Thou hast ordained that he should be despised and rejected of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;

That he should be wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities;

That the chastisement of our peace should be upon him; and that by his stripes we should be healed.

Forasmuch as children are partakers of flesh and blood, thou didst choose that thy Son should be partaker of the same; that through his death, he might destroy him, that had the power of death:

And deliver them, who through fear of death, were all their life-time subject to bondage.

Now is come salvation and strength, the Kingdom of our God and the power of his Christ.

We see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God, should taste death for every man.

Let us sing the new song of those who were redeemed from among men, being the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb.

Let us fear God and give glory to him: let us worship him who made Heaven and Earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Glory be, &c.

TWENTY-NINTH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Resurrection.

O TASTE and see that the Lord is gracious.

Coming unto him as unto a living stone; disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious;

Ye also as living stones are built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God, through Jesus Christ.

Ye, who in time past were not his people, but are now the people of God; ye, who had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy;

Consider well, that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation;

But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish, and without spot.

By him ye believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory, that your faith and hope might be in God.

Let us bless him who cometh in the name of the Lord.

Though he were the Son of God, yet learned he obedience, by the things which he suffered:

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation, unto all them that obey him.

Having therefore, brethren, liberty to enter into the holiest, by the blood of Jesus;

Let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience.

Through him we have access by one spirit unto the Father.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly, above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us; unto him be glory in the Church throughout all ages.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTIETH CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Resurrection.

LET us worship him who liveth for ever and ever.

Let all creatures which are in Heaven and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, say:

Blessing and honor, and glory and power, be unto him that sitteth on the throne and to the Lamb, for ever and ever.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God commendeth his love towards us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

If when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more being reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God; being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

He bare our sins in his own body, on the tree, that we being dead to sin, should live unto righteousness; by whose stripes we are healed.

Wherefore, we bless thee, O Lord God, Creator and Redeemer of the world, we extol thy power and praise thy mercy, saying:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-FIRST CANTICLE.

For the Day of the Ascension.

THE Lord said unto my Lord, sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

The Lord shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion, saying: Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

The Lord hath sworn and will not repent, thou art a Priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedek.

O! clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

God is gone up with rejoicing; the Lord hath gone up with the song of victory.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is the King of Glory? It is the Lord strong and mighty; he is the King of Glory.

Sing praises unto God, sing praises unto our King; for God is the king of all the earth; he reigneth over the nations; he sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

Let all men bow down before him: and let all the angels of God worship him.

Thy throne, O God! is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Thou didst ascend up on high; thou didst lead captivity captive; thou hast received gifts for men.

Thou art gone to thy Father's house, to prepare mansions for us.

Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died; yea, rather that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-SECOND CANTICLE.

For the Eve of the Ascension and the Day After.

THE Lord reigneth; let the people tremble; he sitteth between the Cherubim; let the earth be moved.

He is high above all the earth; he is exalted far above all the Heavens.

God, who is the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, hath highly exalted him, and given him a name, which is above every name:

That, at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow, of things in Heaven, and things on earth, and things under the earth:

And that every tongue should confess, that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God, the Father.

All power hath been given unto him in Heaven and on Earth. God hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the Church.

We have liberty to enter into the holiest, by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us through the vail, that is to say, his flesh.

Let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts purified from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Let us come with confidence unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and help in time of need.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-THIRD CANTICLE.

For Pentecost.

LET us bless the Lord, let us praise his goodness; let us come before his presence, with psalms and thanksgivings.

God hath raised up his Son Jesus, and set him at his own right hand;

And shed upon his apostles, the promise of the Holy Spirit, that they might speak divers tongues, and that wonders and miracles might be done in his name.

He hath made effectual the word of his servants; the kingdoms of this world, the people and the nations have heard them and have become obedient unto our Lord and his Christ.

We give thee thanks, O Lord, God Almighty! who art, and wast, and art to come, because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast entered into thy kingdom.

We bless thee, because according to thy promises, thou hast sent us the Comforter, even the Spirit of Truth to remain with us always.

Because we are thy children, thou hast sent forth the Spirit of thy Son into our hearts, crying Abba, Father.

This Spirit beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.

This Spirit helpeth our infirmities; maketh intercession for us; and causeth us to groan within ourselves, waiting for the redemption of our body, and the glorious liberty of the children of God.

This Spirit is the earnest of our inheritance, whereby we are sealed unto the day of redemption. Thanks be unto God for this unspeakable gift.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-FOURTH CANTICLE.

For Pentecost.

NOT unto us, O Lord! not unto us, but unto thy name give glory.

Our God is in Heaven: He doth whatsoever pleaseth him.

The Lord hath been mindful of us: He will bless them that fear him, both small and great.

Ye are blessed of the Lord who made Heaven and Earth.

He hath poured out his Spirit upon the posterity of his people.

He hath put in them a new spirit, that they should walk in his commandments, that they should keep his laws;

To the end, that they might be his people, and that he might be their God.

Who is so great a God, as our God? Thou art the God that doest wonders.

Thou hast poured out thy Spirit upon all flesh.

For to one, thou hast given by the Spirit, the word of wisdom; to another, the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, prophecy.

All these worketh that one and the self same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as it hath pleased him.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings, in heavenly places, in Christ:

According as he hath chosen us in him, before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him.

O God! enlighten thou the eyes of our understanding, that we may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-FIFTH CANTICLE.

For Pentecost.

BLESSED be the Lord our God, for he hath showed us marvellous kindness.

O Lord! how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; and hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, before the sons of men.

The Lord hath remembered his mercy and truth. Having exalted his Son to his right hand, he hath fulfilled this promise:

I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophecy.

On my servants and on my hand maidens, I will pour out my Spirit.

This promise was unto our fathers, and to their children, and to all that were afar off, even as many as the Lord, our God, shall call.

Wherefore, O our God! we bless thee as our benefactor, and thou shalt ever be the subject of our songs.

We will speak of thy greatness; we will make known every where the remembrance of thy loving kindness.

Thy mercy, O Lord! reacheth unto the Heavens, and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

Ho! all ye that thirst, come unto the waters.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your Father, who is in Heaven, give his Holy Spirit to them that ask him.

O God! turn thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities.

O God! create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us.

Cast us not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Let thy loving Spirit lead us forth into the land of righteousness.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-SIXTH CANTICLE.

For Pentecost.

THERE is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus; who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit.

The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus, hath made them free from the law of sin and death.

We have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

But he that is spiritual judgeth all things.

Let us aim at spiritual gifts. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

But we are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be, that the Spirit of God dwelleth in us.

This Spirit, which God sendeth into our hearts, convinceth us that we are no longer in bondage, but that we are his children, and if children, then heirs of God, through Jesus Christ.

If the Spirit of him, that raised up Jesus from the dead, dwell in us, he that raised up Christ from the dead, shall also quicken our mortal bodies, by his Spirit that dwelleth in us.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-SEVENTH CANTICLE.

For Pentecost.

LET us proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.

Let us say unto Zion, ye shall be named the Priests of the Lord: men shall call you the Ministers of our God;

And all that see you, shall acknowledge that you are the seed which the Lord hath blessed.

We will greatly rejoice in the Lord; our souls shall be joyful in our God;

For he hath clothed us with the garments of salvation, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments.

The Lord loveth the gates of Zion, more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spoken of thee, O City of God.

Thither the tribes went up, the tribes of the Lord, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord.

The glory of the latter house hath been greater than of the former.

The Lord, whom men sought, even the Messenger of the covenant, whom they delighted in, hath come to his temple.

After that he had humbled himself, God did highly exalt him.

He hath stretched forth his hand; he hath granted unto his servants, that with all boldness they should speak his word:

And that signs and wonders should be done, by the name of the holy child Jesus.

The apostles, filled with the Holy Spirit, gave witness with great power of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

The multitude of them that believed at Jerusalem, were of one heart and of one soul;

Neither said any of them that aught of the things, which he possessed, was his own; and great grace was upon them all.

Blessed be the Lord, who hath thus inclined his Church; and who will never suffer that the gates of hell should prevail against it.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-EIGHTH CANTICLE.

For the Holy Days of September.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endureth for ever.

Let them that fear the Lord, now say that his mercy endureth for ever.

The Lord is our strength and the subject of our songs; He is our Redeemer.

The Lord hath done marvellous things.

He hath remembered his covenant: He hath visited and redeemed his people.

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son; that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

He hath given us the bread from Heaven, which giveth life unto the world.

Let us praise him, let us glorify and bless his name.

Let us give thanks unto God our Father, who hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

Salvation cometh from our God that sitteth upon the throne, and from the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, power, and strength, be unto our God, for ever and ever.

Praise our God, all ye his servants, both small and great.

The Lord our God Omnipotent, reigneth; and we shall reign with him for ever and ever.

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor unto him: for the

marriage of the Lamb is come, and his bride hath made herself ready.

Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

We shall be satisfied, O God, with the plenteousness of thy house; and thou wilt make us drink of the river of thy pleasures.

Glory be, &c.

THIRTY-NINTH CANTICLE.

For the Holy Days of September.

O COME, let us be joyful at the festival; let us heartily rejoice in the presence of the Lord our God:

We, our sons and our daughters, our men servants and our maid servants, and the stranger who is within our borders.

Our God hath redeemed us from among all nations, and hath become the author of eternal salvation, unto all them that obey him.

He hath made with us, through his Son, a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

By virtue of this covenant, the Lord will be our God, and we shall be his people: and he will be merciful to our unrighteousness; and our sins and our iniquities, he will remember no more.

We are not come unto the mount, upon which God gave the law, in the midst of fire, of darkness and of tempest;

But we are come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels;

To the General Assembly and Church of the first born, which are written in Heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect;

To Jesus, the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling.

Wherefore, receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved; let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably, with reverence and godly fear.

Glory be, &c.

FORTIETH CANTICLE.

For the Holy Days of September.

THE Lord is the mighty God, merciful and gracious, long suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth;

Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, and transgression and sin.

He sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.

The Son himself bare our sins, in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sin, should live unto righteousness.

God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, by whose grace we are saved.

What shall we render unto the Lord? All his benefits are upon us.

Let us offer unto him, through Jesus Christ, the sacrifice of praise continually, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to his name.

He hath bought us with a price, let us therefore glorify God in our bodies, and in our spirits, which are God's.

Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant.

Make us perfect in every good work to do his will, working in us that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-FIRST CANTICLE.

For the Holy Days of September.

IN this was manifested the love of God towards us; because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Let us love God, because he first loved us.

The Lord hath remembered his mercy and truth, for they endure for ever.

For thy name's sake, O Lord, be merciful unto our sins, although they are great.

Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the children of God;

And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ.

Since we call upon him as a Father, who without respect of persons, judgeth according to every man's work; let us pass the time of our sojourning here in fear.

Let the name of our Lord Jesus Christ be glorified in us, and let us be glorified in him, according to the grace of our God, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-SECOND CANTICLE.

For the Holy Days of September.

TO the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory, by Christ Jesus; and who, after that we have suffered a while, is able to make us perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle us; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.

His divine power hath given unto us all things, that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him, who hath called us to glory and virtue.

Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises, that by these we might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world.

This is that salvation, whereof the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophecied of the grace that should come unto us.

Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us, they did minister the things, which are now reported unto us, by the gospel.

Blessed be God, who according to his abundant mercy, hath called us again unto a lively hope, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead;

To an inheritance, incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in Heaven for us;

Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time.

Though we have not seen our Lord Jesus Christ, yet we love him; in whom, though now we see him not, yet believing, we rejoice in him with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-THIRD CANTICLE.

For the Communion.

WE will praise thee, O God, we will exalt thy name for ever;

For all the earth is full of thy goodness, of thy glory and of thy mercy.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, praise his holy name.

Who forgiveth all thy sin and healeth all thine infirmities.

The Lord is full of compassion, and mercy, long suffering and of great goodness.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

For as the Heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy towards them that fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children, even so, is the Lord merciful unto us.

For when we were his enemies, and while we were yet sinners, he gave us his only begotten Son, that we might live through him.

It is he who hath given us his flesh and his blood, for meat and drink, and who by his death hath brought us unto life.

He is the Lamb of God; the propitiation for our sins, the sole and perfect pledge of his grace.

He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up to die

for us all, how shall he not with him also, freely give us all things, yea, even grace and mercy.

Let my heart and my mouth show forth the praises of the Lord, and magnify him; and let all men praise his loving kindness forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-FOURTH CANTICLE.

For the Communion.

LET us show forth the Lord's death till he come.

Let our mouths declare every day the mercy of the Lord, and the great things which God hath done unto us.

O most gracious Father! thou hast given us thine only Son, and it pleased thee, that in him should all fullness dwell.

It pleased thee to reconcile all things unto thyself by him, who is our peace by the blood of his cross.

O our God! we were alienated from thee by reason of our thoughts and evil deeds;

And it hath pleased thee to reconcile us to thyself, by the death of thy Son, that we might appear before thee holy, without spot, and blameless.

Christ hath blotted out the handwriting of ordinances, that was against us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross.

Having spoiled principalities and powers he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Let us then hold to him who is our head.

Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly in all wisdom.

Whatsoever we do, in word or deed, let all be done in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God, the Father, through him.

Let the peace of God, to the which we are called in one body, rule in our hearts; and let us be thankful.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-FIFTH CANTICLE.

For the Communion.

LET us praise the Lord our God, and extol his mercy towards his people and towards his elect.

He showeth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and judgments unto Israel.

He hath not dealt so with any nation.

Thou also, O God! art praised in Zion, and unto thee is the vow of thy people performed.

Blessed are the people, O Lord, who rejoice in thee; they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in thy name; and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

We, who in times past, were not his people, are now the people of God.

He hath made us a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people;

That we should show forth the praises of him who hath called us out of darkness unto his marvellous light.

Let us therefore be as the elect of God, holy and beloved, merciful, kind, humble, meek, long suffering; forbearing one another and forgiving one another, even as Christ forgiveth us.

Herein will our Father be glorified, if we bear much fruit: so shall we be truly the disciples of his Son.

We shall abide in his love, until he shall come to be glorified in his Saints, and to be admired in all them that believe.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-SIXTH CANTICLE.

For the Communion.

O COME and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.

The Lord hath remembered his tender mercies and his loving kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

Our misdeeds have prevailed against us: Thou hast taken away our transgressions.

God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

He sent his Son to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

It is in remembrance of so precious a gift, that we eat the Lord's Supper.

The bread, which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? The cup of blessing, which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?

Let us show forth the Lord's death till he come:

That we may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death.

If we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection.

To me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Thanks be unto God, for this unspeakable gift.

Glory be, &c.

FORTY-SEVENTH CANTICLE.

For the Communion.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord for he is good, for his mercy endureth forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so; such as sat in darkness, and in the shadow of death;

Who had rebelled against the word of God, and contemned the counsel of the Most High.

He hath brought them out of darkness, and the shadow of death; he hath broken their bonds in sunder.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!

This salvation hath been declared in the Gospel of Jesus Christ,

Who of God, is made unto us wisdom and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption.

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace ;

That bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation ; that saith unto Zion, thy God reigneth.

Let us thank God always for the grace which is given us through Jesus Christ;

That in every thing being enriched by him, we may be wanting in no gift, waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God is faithful by whom we are called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ.

Blessed is the people whom the Lord hath chosen for his own inheritance.

He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

Glory be, &c.

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